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HAIPHONG BLOCKADE BUT NO INVASION

(Special to China Mail)

The best available information indicates that there is no truth whatever in reports that direct action has been taken by Japanese naval or military forces in Indo-China.

Observers in Shanghai and elsewhere seem to be of opinion that an attack may be imminent, but no military move has yet been made.

It is learned that, following the Japanese announcement that certain units of the Japanese Fleet in South China were being sent to Haiphong, a number of Japanese ships have arrived off the port and have thrown out a blockading screen, and it is presumably the intention to search shipping using Haiphong.

Mr. Okazaki's Denial

"It is absolutely untrue," declared Mr. Okazaki, Japanese Consul-General in Hong Kong, to the "China Mail" to-day when questioned regarding the rumours in circulation that the Japanese have commenced an invasion of French Indo-China.

The French Consulate said that they had no information of the rumoured invasion.

The story seems to have been inspired by the curiously phrased Japanese Army despatch referring to "operations begun on June 17 to cut off by force the transport of war supplies through Indo-China."

As no operations affecting Indo-China were commenced on June 17 or on any subsequent date, the announcement may be taken to mean that operations in Kwangsi are referred to.

EVACUATION OF SICCAWEI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai, To-day.

In connection with the evacuation of Siccawei by the French forces, French authoritative circles stated that the French military and Japanese military agreed, in August, 1937, on the creation of a security zone around the Concession.

The Siccawei zone was one of such zones.

To-day the French authorities believe the existence of such a zone is no longer justified by the situation and of this decision.—Havas.

ALL QUIET ALONG THE BORDER

It was officially stated this afternoon that rumours to the effect that foreign residents in the Fanling area and other districts near the border had been advised to evacuate are without foundation.

The situation is not regarded as warranting such advice and any resident who may have left has acted on his or her personal initiative.

Along the border everything is quiet, the situation having undergone no important change since the arrival of the Japanese forces. The bridge carrying the Canton road has been dismantled and the bridge carrying the railway has been narrowed.

PLAN TO EMPLOY STUDENTS

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.
WHILE THE GRIM PROSPECT OF UNEMPLOYMENT IS STARING UNIVERSITY GRADUATES IN SHANGHAI IN THE FACE, THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES ARE SHORT-HANDED IN VARIOUS KINDS OF NATIONAL RECONSTRUCTION WORK WHICH IS NOW IN FULL SWING IN THE SOUTH-WEST PROVINCES, WRITES THE "SIN WAN PAO."

A programme for a number of university-trained railway and bridge engineers, surveyors, business administrators and assistants to work in Chinese Government highway and railway construction bureaux, is now being planned.

Ten thousand kilometres of railway will be constructed by the Ministry of Railways in the southwest provinces, it is learned. For the construction of each 1,000 kilometres the Government will require the assistance of at least 500 engineering students, 250 mechanical engineers and about 3,000 students of other courses.

Aside from railway construction the Government has also drawn up plans for the development of aviation, highway construction, postal development, heavy industry development and reconstruction of public utilities services in cities. These plans will provide employment for thousands of students.—Reuter.

therefore they have decided to restore Siccawei to its normal status.

The occupation of Siccawei was based on the de facto situation existing in 1937 and was not founded on any written contract.

The French authorities have duly informed the other foreign authorities of this decision.—Havas.

M. REYNAUD REPORTED ON WAY TO LONDON

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY AND PLEDGES OF SUPPORT FROM FRENCHMEN IN BRITAIN AND POSSESSIONS OVERSEAS CONTINUE TO POUR IN TO GENERAL DE GAULLE, UNDER-SECRETARY FOR WAR IN THE LATE REYNAUD GOVERNMENT AND FOUNDER OF THE FRENCH NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

General de Gaulle, in a further broadcast, said: "I appeal to all French officers and soldiers, to all French seamen, airmen, engineers and workmen, wherever you may be, to join with those who still want to fight.

"I promise you that some day our forces, the best French forces, will by land and by air restore the liberty of the world and the greatness of our country.

"It is useless now to go into details of the Franco-German and Franco-Italian armistice conditions. They can be summed up as follows:—

"France and the French people have been surrendered to the enemy bound hand and foot.

"However, there are among us many men, women and children who will never accept this capitulation. The French cause is not yet lost."—Havas.

Ottawa Message

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Ottawa, To-day.

French residents here have cabled

General de Gaulle supporting his initiative and advocating the formation of a French Government abroad. "We must follow the example of our invaded allies and organise resistance," concludes the message, which also suggests that ex-Premier Reynaud should participate in the new Government.—Havas.

Reynaud Report

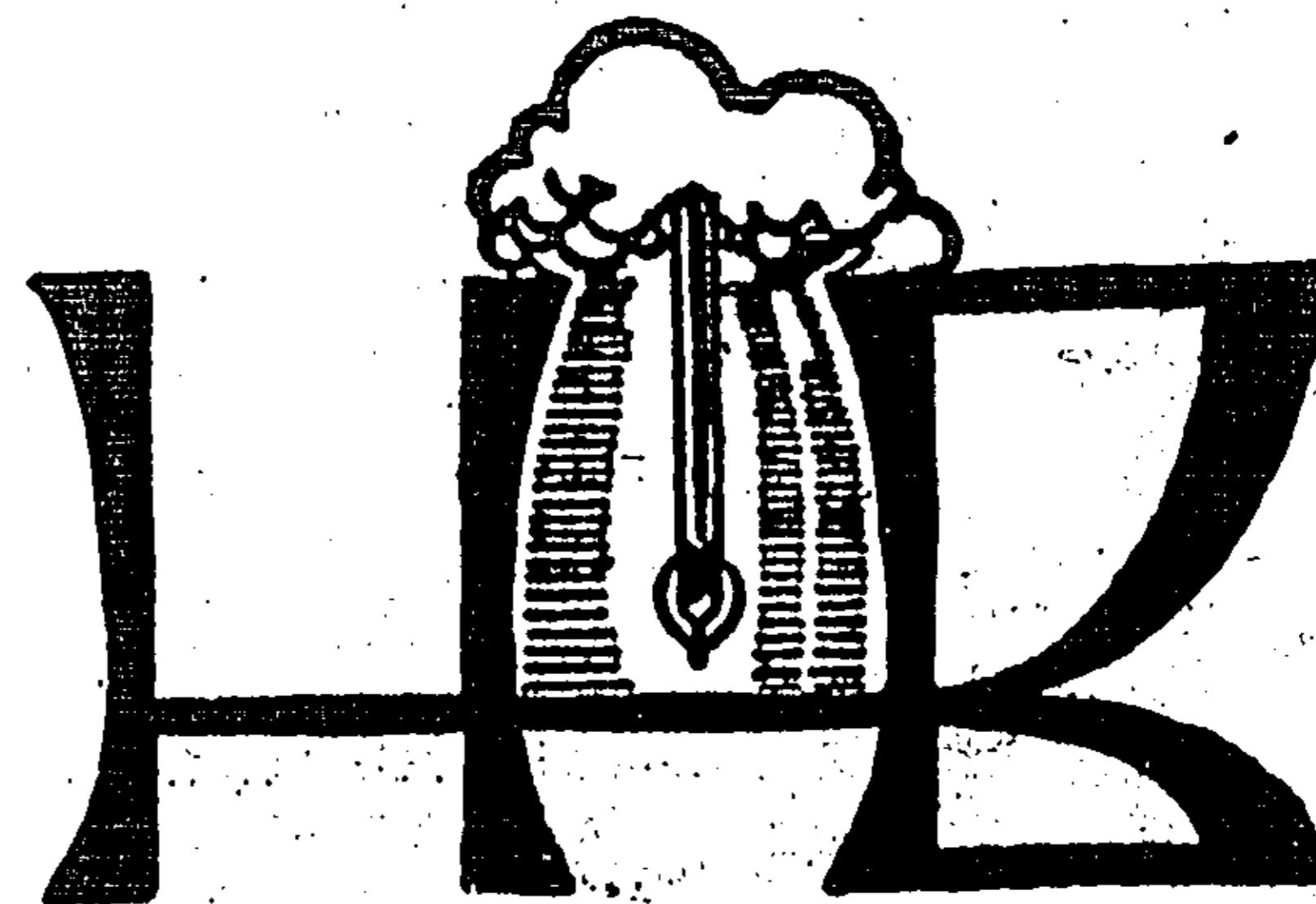
(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

There are reports here that M. Reynaud is in touch with General de Gaulle and that the ex-Premier is expected in London in the next 24 hours.—Havas.

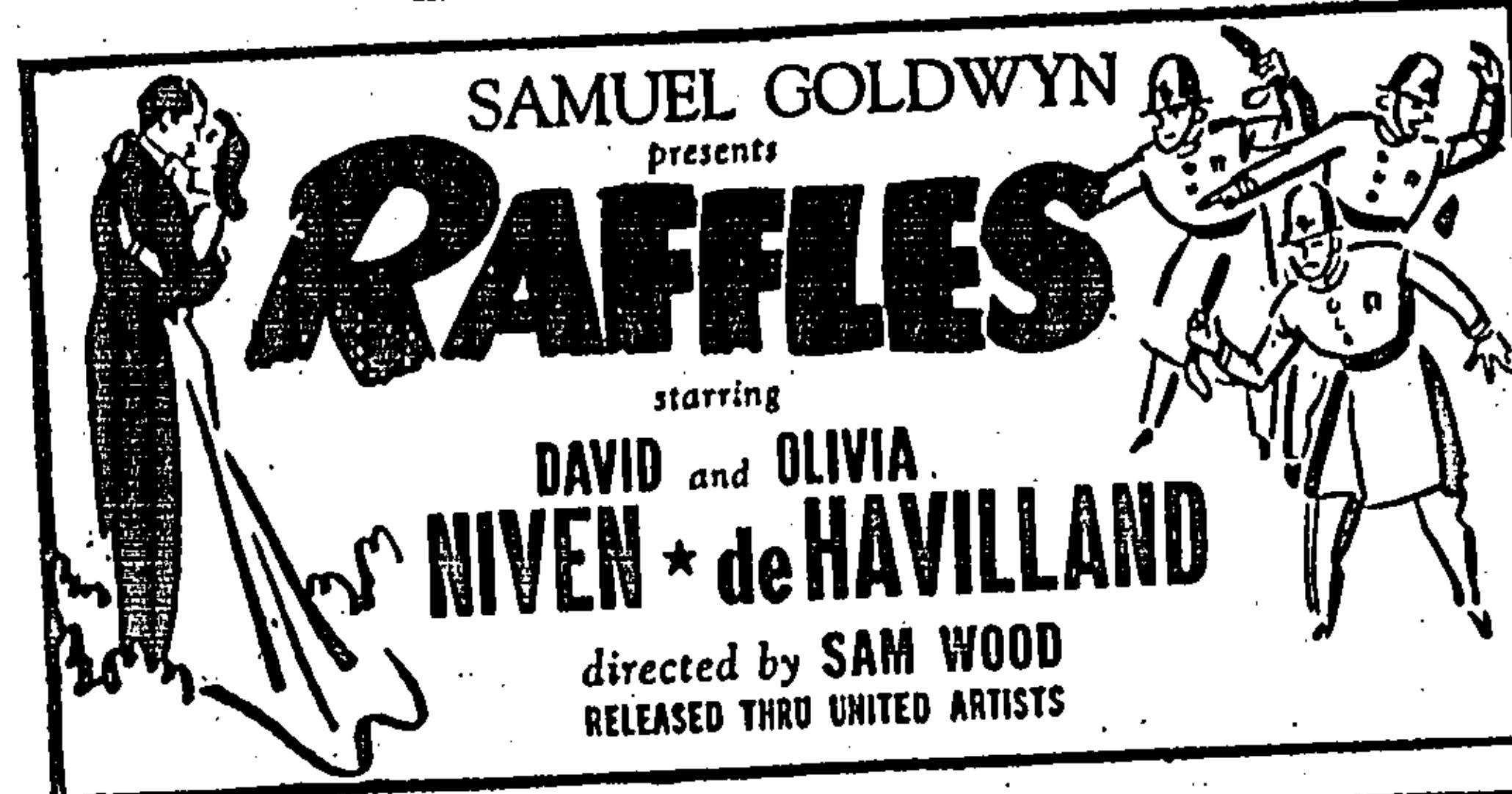
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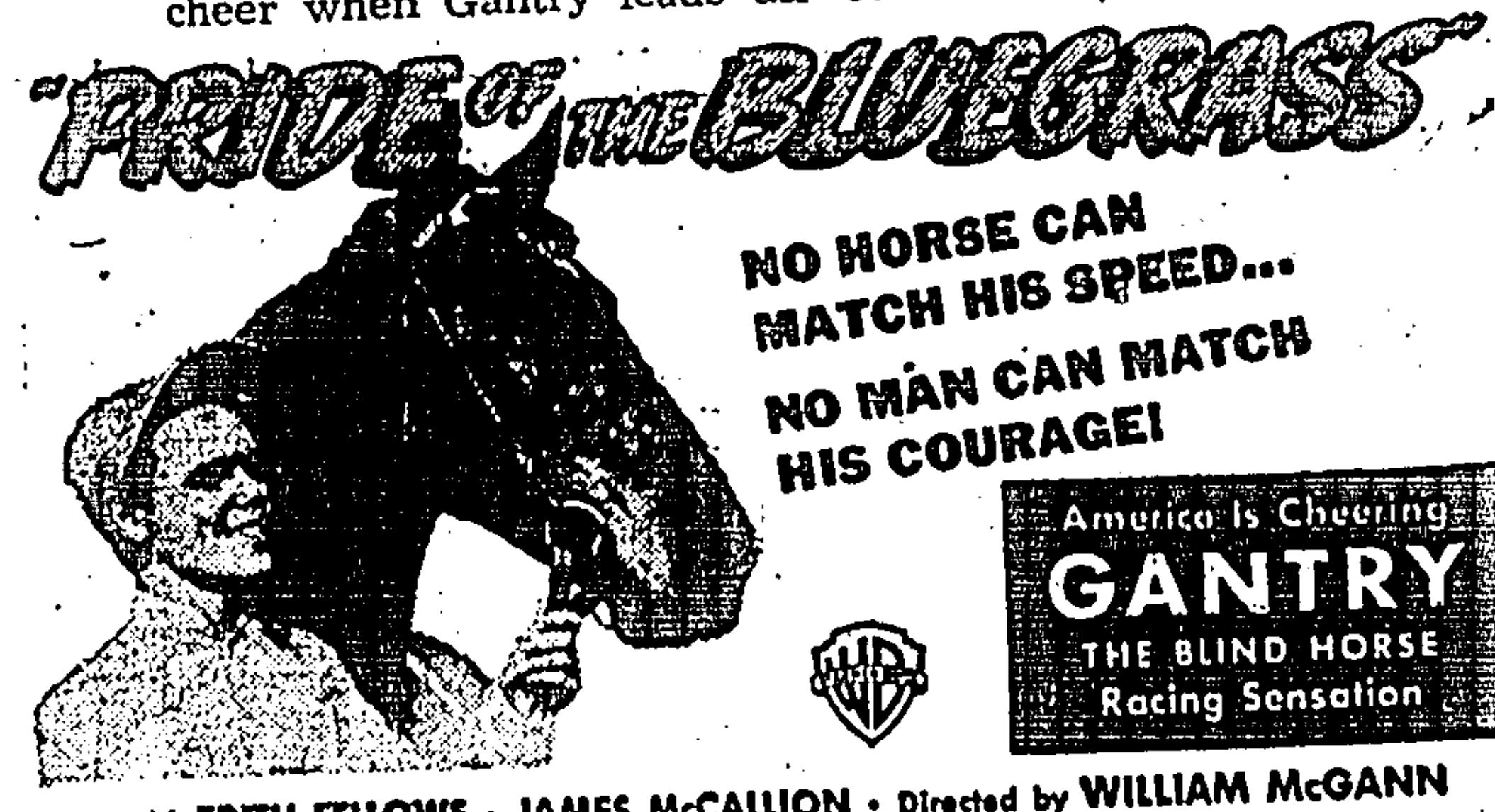


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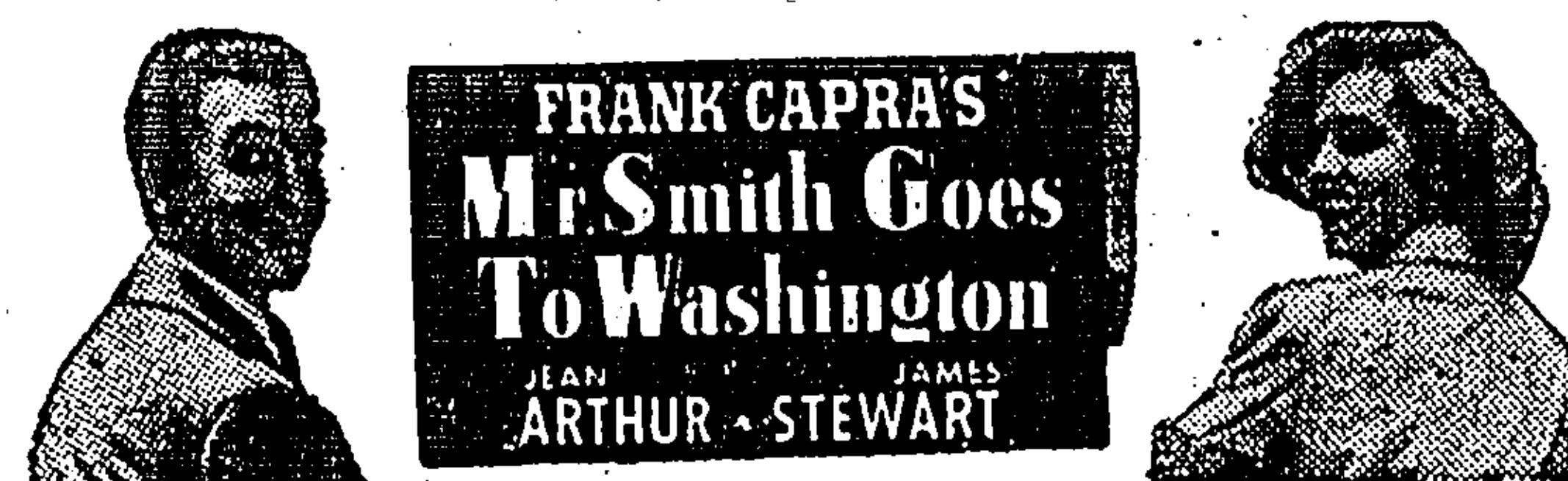


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HOW LONDON RESPONDED TO ITS FIRST RAID

London, To-day.

A DESCRIPTION OF HOW MOST of London took its first air raid since the beginning of the war was broadcast yesterday by Bryan Meredith.

"Several people got up last night and cursed Hitler. I was one of them!" he began. Everyone was curious to know how they would react. The sirens warbled in the distance and came closer and closer, until they were all round them.

They were not as penetrating as expected, and this was the first comforting reaction: "Nothing to it. I'm not a bit upset."

Tumbling around in the darkness, he got some clothes together and trudged across the street. On the edge of the sidewalk was a faintly-illuminated sign bearing the letter "S." In the building behind was the local A.R.P. shelter.

One went downstairs into the basement of a large apartment building, heavily reinforced with timber. The walls were painted white and the timbers a bright red, the general effect being cheerful and reassuring.

"Life Of The Party"

They sat down on the benches and found it was rather like being in a bus and wondering when it was going to start. People were not very talkative — except for one man who decided he was a wag and the life of the party.

Most of them began to doze off, until the shelter looked like a railway station waiting room.

They heard no bombs or anti-aircraft guns, although some planes overhead. Then, after a couple of hours, the sirens blew the "all clear." —Reuter.

FIVE KILLED IN RAIDS ON ENGLAND

London, To-day. Five people are now believed to have been killed in Monday night's raids on Britain and in the southwest at least 14 were injured.

It is reported that among those killed were a mother and her daughter who were standing in the front door of their house and a man who was hit by a bomb splinter while looking out of the window. —Reuter.

NO SYMPATHY-- NAZI ORDER

Himmler, Gestapo Chief, has ordered that when Allied prisoners are being taken through a town neither sympathy nor interest must be shown in them. It is emphasised that Allied prisoners are to be treated in the same way as Polish prisoners of war.

SITUATION IN THE D.E.I.

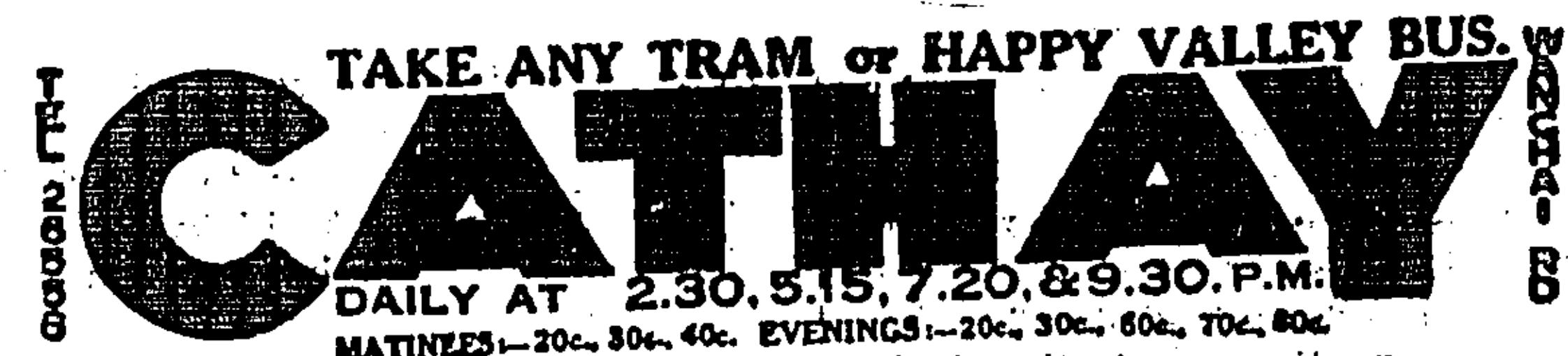
London, To-day.

Questions were asked in the House of Commons yesterday on the present situation in the Netherlands East Indies.

A question was put what discussions if any had taken place either with the Japanese Government or with the United States Government or with both concerning any possible developments arising from the removal of the Dutch Government to London.

Replies, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said: "There is nothing to report from the Netherlands East Indies where the situation is normal.

The Government have made known their desire that the status quo in the Netherlands East Indies should be preserved, and declarations in the same sense have been made separately and independently by the Governments of the United States and Japan." —Reuter.



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GLEN LINE SUE IN HONG KONG ADMIRALTY COURT

A CLAIM FOR AN UNSTIPULATED amount, arising out of a collision between the s.s. Flintshire and the oil tanker Yarriville on June 15, 1937, in about Lat. 33.37 N. and Longitude 122.42 E., was heard at the Supreme Court this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl Mac-

Gregor.

Plaintiffs, represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Johnson Stokes and Master, were the Glen Line, owners of the Flintshire, while defendants were the Standard Oil Co. of New York, charterers of the Yarriville.

Defendants were represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist.

Mr. Potter said that all the evidence, taken partly in America and partly in England, was agreed, subject to comment.

On June 15, the Flintshire was on its way from Tsingtao to Shanghai and the Yarriville from Shanghai to Dairen. Orders were that when the Flintshire reached a point 24.6 N. and 122.45 E., course was altered, South two degrees west.

It would be established that all traffic in that area is north to south and vice versa.

The Flintshire reached that point at 1 a.m. and altered course accordingly.

The captain, chief officer and fourth officer were on the bridge.

At 4.54, a stand-by order was rung owing to the fog and at 4.56 a.m., as the fog was thickening, the engines were put at half speed.

Fog Signal

Shortly after 7.07 a.m. a whistle was heard. The Captain thought it was from ahead but the others on the bridge thought it came from the starboard side. The engines were stopped till 7.08. When he heard a second whistle, the captain was definite it came from starboard so he altered course so as to bring the whistle more to starboard. He continued on his course till 7.10 a.m. when the Flintshire was put back on her original course and proceeded at "Slow."

At 7.14 a.m., the Flintshire was at

half-speed, and at that time, or immediately after, she heard two long blasts. At 7.20 a.m. the Flintshire was put to "Slow" and at 7.27 a.m. to "Stop." The captain had heard two more blasts and became suspicious and concluded that the Yarriville was ahead.

At 7.33 a.m., a signal was heard and a ripple observed four points on the starboard and then the Yarriville. Engines were put full astern and hard to port but Yarriville came across and in spite of all efforts collided with Flintshire.

The Yarriville case was that their course was North three degrees east and their speed 11 knots which was maintained on entering the fog at 6.27 a.m. to 7.23 a.m. when they first heard the Flintshire's whistle on the port bow. The captain immediately stopped his engines and blew blasts at 7.29. At 7.33 a.m. he suddenly saw the loom of a ship and immediately put his engines half speed ahead and to starboard. At 7.34 a.m. he saw the Flintshire and reversed the order and went full astern.

It was admitted said Mr. Potter, that at no material time did defendants know the course they were taking, as no one looked at the compass.

The case is proceeding.

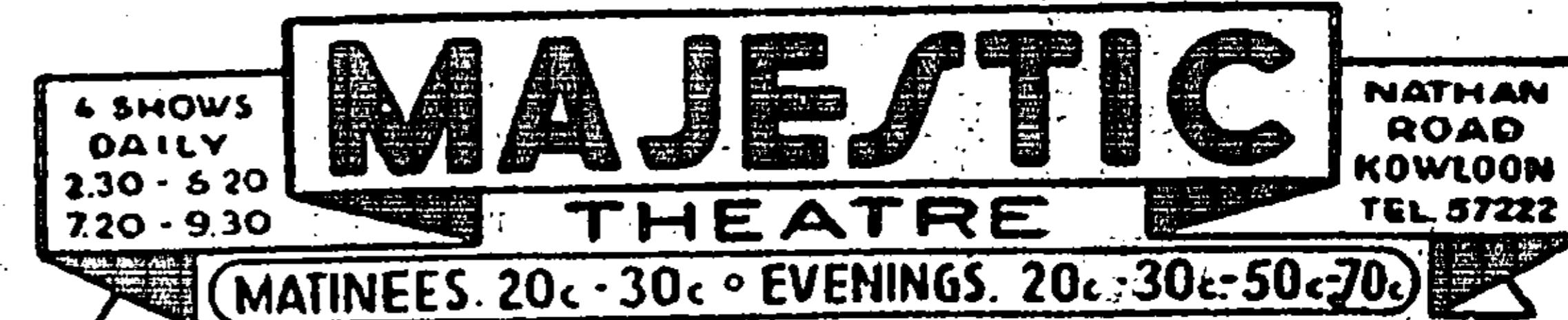
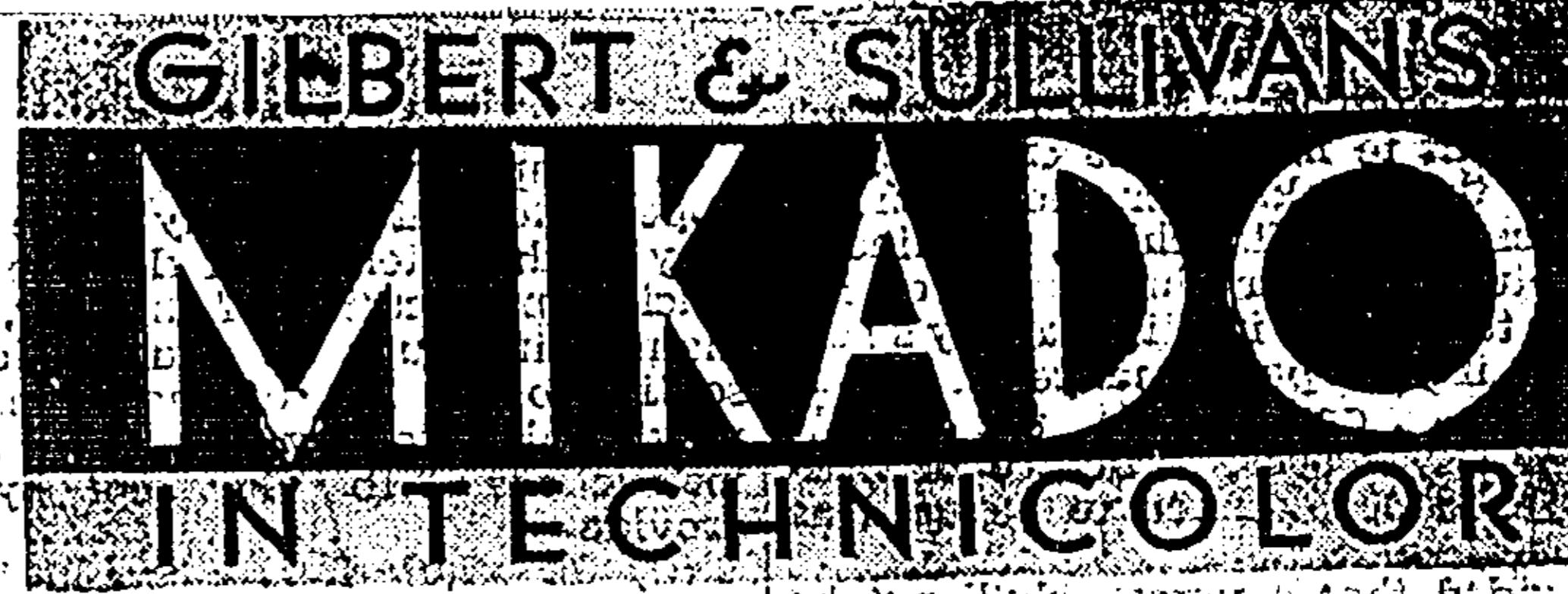
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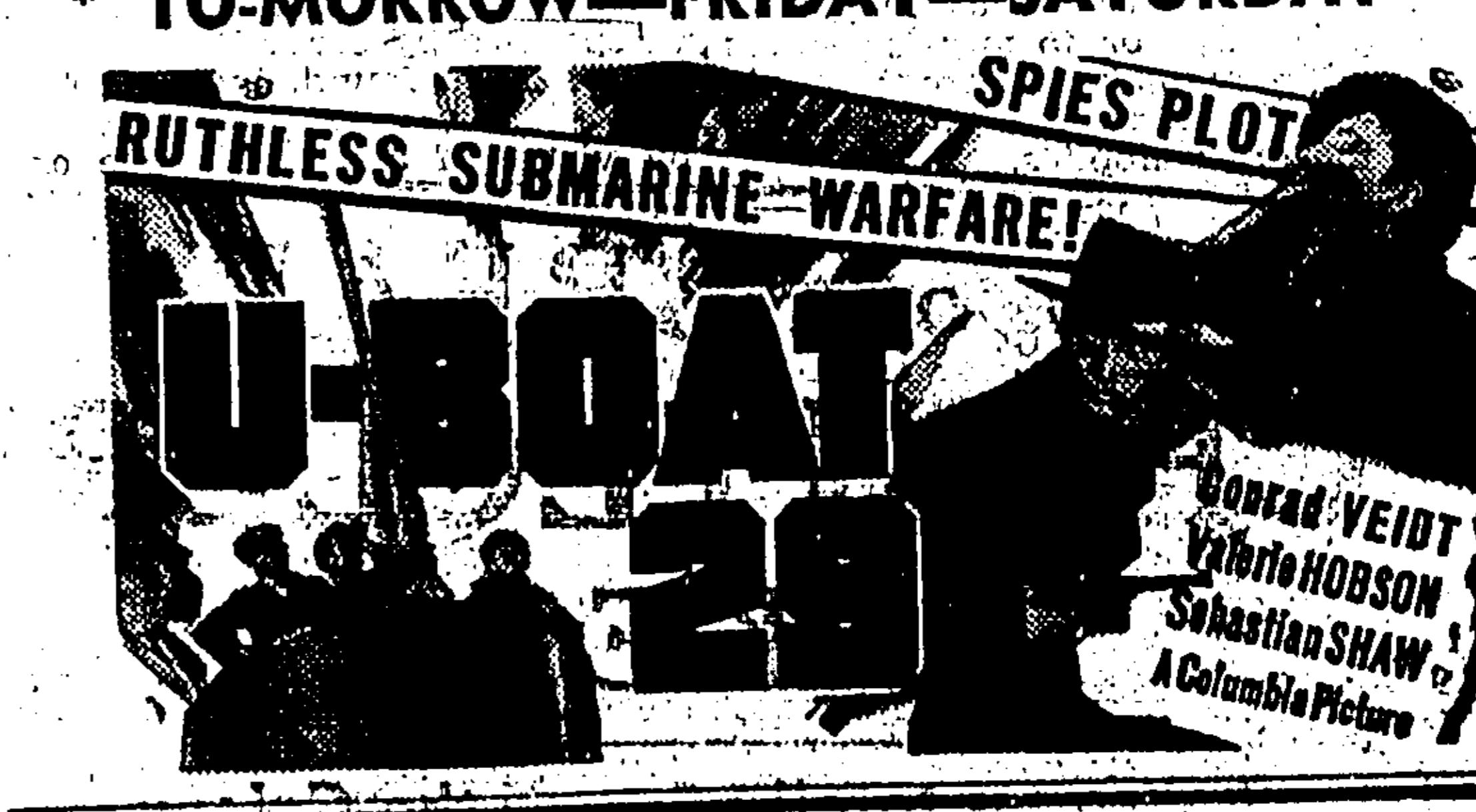
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EMERGENCY POWERS

Hong Kong Brought Into Line With Britain

New Regulations Published

NEW DEFENCE REGULATIONS, bringing official powers into line with those taken by the British Government in the U.K. under the Emergency Powers (Extension) Act passed a few weeks ago, were published in a "Government Gazette Extraordinary" to-day and came into immediate effect.

Regulations made from time to time since August 26, 1939, are repeated, but new powers are taken for dealing with sabotage, control of highways and lines of communication for defence purposes, for the general control of industry, power to occupy land or property, to compel evacuation of danger areas, to require conformity with billeting orders, etc.

The Sabotage Regulation, No. 26 says: (1) No person shall do any act with intent to impair the efficiency or impede the working or movement of any vessel, aircraft, vehicle, machinery, apparatus or other thing used or intended to be used in His Majesty's service or in the performance of essential services, or to impair the usefulness of any works, structure or premises used or intended to be used as aforesaid:

Provided that a person shall not be guilty of an offence against this regulation by reason only of his taking part in, or peacefully persuading any other person to take part in, a strike.

(2) The preceding provisions of this regulation shall apply in relation to any omission on the part of a person to do anything which he is under a duty, either to the public or to any person, to do, as they apply in relation to the doing of any act by a person.

(3) Any person convicted on indictment of an offence against this regulation shall be liable to imprisonment for any term not exceeding fourteen years or to a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars or to both such imprisonment and such fine.

If, with intent to assist the enemy, any person does any act which is likely to assist the enemy or to prejudice the public safety, the defence of this Colony or any other part of His Majesty's dominions or the efficient prosecution of the war, then, without prejudice to the law relating to treason, he shall be guilty of an offence against this regulation and shall, on conviction on indictment, be liable to imprisonment for life.

Highway Control

Without prejudice to any other of these regulations, the Governor may by order provide for the regulation of traffic on highways, and, without prejudice to the generality of the power aforesaid, any such order may in particular provide—

(1) for determining the routes to be followed by any particular class of vehicles proceeding on highways, either generally or in such circumstances as may be determined by or in accordance with the order;

(2) for prohibiting or regulating the use of vehicles or any class of vehicles on highways or the use by vehicles of specified roads or classes of roads; either generally or in such circumstances as may be so specified; and may be made so as to apply either generally or to any specified area, and may make different provision for different parts of the area to which the order applies.

Control Of Industry

A competent authority, so far as appears to that authority to be necessary in the interests of defence of the efficient prosecution of the war, or for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community, may, subject to any general or special instructions of the Governor, by order provide—

(a) for regulating or prohibiting the production, treatment, keeping, storage, movement, transport, distribution, sale, purchase, use or consumption of articles of any description, and, in particular, for controlling the prices at which such articles may be sold;

(b) for regulating the carrying on of any undertaking engaged in essential work, and, in particular, for controlling the charges which may be made by the undertakers in respect of the doing of any work by them;

(c) for requiring persons carrying on, or employed in connexion with, any trade or business specified in the order to produce to such authority or person as may be so specified any books, accounts or other documents relating to that trade or business, and for requiring any persons to furnish to such authority or person as may be specified in the order such estimates or returns as the competent authority may require;

Essential Work

(3) A competent authority, if it appears to that authority to be necessary so to do in the interests of public safety, defence or the efficient prosecution of the war, or for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community, may, subject to any general or special instructions of the Governor, carry on the whole or any part of any existing undertaking, or authorize a person to carry on the whole or any part of the undertaking, in accordance with any instructions of the competent authority; and while by virtue of this paragraph a competent authority or a person so authorized is carrying on the whole or any part of an undertaking—

(a) the said authority or person shall be deemed to be acting as the agent of the undertakers, except that the undertakers shall not have any right to control the carrying on of the undertaking or part of the undertaking; and

(b) the undertakers shall not be bound, or, as the case may be, shall not in respect of such matters as may be specified by order of the competent authority be found, by any obligation or limitation imposed on them by or virtue of any Ordinance or other

instrument determining their functions.

(4) In this regulation—

(a) the expression "essential work" means work appearing to the competent authority to be essential for defence or the efficient prosecution of the war or to be essential to the life of the community; and

(b) the expression "undertaking" means any public utility undertaking or any industrial or commercial enterprise, and the expression "undertakers," in relation to any such enterprise, means the person by whom it is carried on; and any reference in this regulation to articles shall be construed as including a reference to substances, vehicles, vessels or animals.

Passive Defence

The Governor may, if it appears to him to be necessary or expedient so to do for the purpose of meeting any actual or apprehended attack by the enemy or of protecting persons and property from the dangers involved in such attack, make, as respects any area in this Colony, either or both of the following orders, that is to say—

(a) an order directing that, after such time as may be specified in the order, no person, vehicle or vessel other than a person, vehicle or vessel of such a class as may be so specified shall be in that area without the permission of such authority or person as may be so specified;

(b) an order directing that any such animals or things in that area as may be specified in the order shall, by such time as may be so specified, be removed from that area or, if they cannot reasonably be so removed before that time, be destroyed or rendered useless so far as practicable, and that after that time no such things or animals shall be brought into the area except under such permission as aforesaid;

(2) An order made under paragraph (1) of this regulation for the removal of persons or property from any area—

(a) may prescribe the routes by which persons or property, or any particular classes of persons or property, are to leave or be removed from the area;

(b) may prescribe different times as the times by or at which different classes of persons or property in the area are to leave or be removed therefrom;

(c) may prescribe the places to which persons are to proceed on leaving

ing that area in compliance with the order.

Accommodation

If the Governor is satisfied that it is necessary that special steps should be taken to provide accommodation for persons who have left or are likely to leave their homes in consequence of or in apprehension of attacks by the enemy, or who have become homeless in consequence of such attacks, he may appoint or authorize the appointment of persons to act under this regulation subject to any general or special instructions of the Governor; and any person acting in pursuance of an appointment under this paragraph may require the occupier of any premises to provide, subject to the following provisions of this regulation, accommodation in those premises for such persons as the person so acting may assign thereto.

Billeting

A competent authority may cause to be served upon the occupier of any premises a written notice (hereinafter referred to as "a billeting notice"), requiring the occupier of those premises to furnish therein, until further notice or during such period as may be specified in the billeting notice, according as that notice may direct, accommodation (by way of lodging or food or both, and either with or without attendance, according as the notice may direct) for such number of persons as may be so specified, being either persons in the service of His Majesty or persons who are in the service of a local authority and are engaged in the performance of essential services.

(2) The lodging or food to be furnished in accordance with a billeting notice, and the price to be paid in respect of any accommodation so furnished in any premises shall be such, and shall be paid to the occupier of the premises by such authority, as may be determined by order of the Governor.

(3) If the occupier of any premises feels aggrieved by the requirements of any billeting notice, he may, within fourteen days from the beginning of the day on which the notice is served on him, complain to a magistrate, and thereupon the magistrate, if satisfied that the furnishing of accommodation in accordance with the notice would otherwise impose an undue burden upon the occupier, may by order annul the notice or direct that it shall have effect subject to such modifications as may be specified in the order.

R.A.F. RANGES FAR AND WIDE IN BOMBING IN REICH

London, To-day.

AN AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE states that on Monday our bombers, although hampered by bad visibility, attacked aerodromes at Eindhoven, Schipol and Waalhaven, which are bases in occupied Dutch territory from which enemy bombers can set out to bomb this country.

The operations were continued during the night and Schipol was again attacked as well as the aerodrome at Delooy.

The aerodromes at Mülheim and Kessa (Westphalia) were also bombed.

Other formations of our bombers attacked the naval base at Helder, where explosions and fires were caused.

At Dortmund, oil depots and marshalling yards were bombed as well as targets at Kamen, east of Dortmund, and Kassel, where the aircraft works was set on fire.

Aerodrome buildings and aircraft works at Delichhausen, near Türemen, were also attacked.

Canal Gates Bombed

Other aircraft bombed the Dortmund-Ems canal where lock-gates and barges were hit.

Railway junctions and stations near Emmerich, between the Ruhr and the Dutch frontier, were also damaged.

All our aircraft returned safely from both the day and night operations.

An Anson aircraft of the Coastal Command was attacked by four Messerschmidt single-engine fighters while patrolling over the English Channel.

In the ensuing engagement one Messerschmidt was shot down in flames. The other enemy fighters abandoned the pursuit and our aircraft returned safely to its base.—Reuter.

Berlin Report

Rome, To-day.

A Berlin telegram to the Stefani agency states British planes bombed the German towns of Duisburg and Bielefeld, causing numerous fires and destroying houses.—Reuter.

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HOW THREE RIFLE BATTALIONS SAVED B.E.F.

Epic Story Of The Defence Of Calais

London, To-day.

The epic story of the defence of Calais by three battalions of the Rifle Brigade was told in an authoritative statement issued in London yesterday. The battalions were ordered to hold the town and did not realise that by their gallantry they were saving the B.E.F.

The units concerned were a battalion of the 60th Rifles, a battalion of the Queen Victoria's Rifles and a battalion of the Royal Tank Regiment.

On the morning of May 26, after heavy fighting in previous days, a flag of truce was passed through the British lines to the brigadier and a demand for immediate surrender made; this was refused.

At 9 a.m. a heavy bombardment began, accompanied by almost incessant dive bombing. Our defensive position and the inner town were reduced to a shambles and set in flames.

Constantly In Action

The brigade had little or no sleep or rest from May 21 to May 26, being constantly on the move and fighting.

Food, water and ammunition were all short and it had been impossible to disembark much of their equipment. The watermains had been destroyed at an early stage.

Late on the night of May 26 the battle was finished. Overwhelmed by vastly superior numbers and weight of armament, this gallant force held out four days, engaging two heavy armoured divisions which had been destined to cut off the B.E.F., and thus permitting it to embark.

In addition, it is believed a third armoured division had been diverted to Calais by the Germans.

Feat Of Arms

The overwhelming superiority of the enemy, both in numbers and metal, never really gave the British a chance, it is stated, and that they held the enemy for four days was a remarkable feat of arms.

An officer of the Queen Victoria's Rifles who was taken prisoner, escaped and rowed in a dinghy alone across the Channel.—Reuter.

WOMEN INVITED TO JOIN LOCAL W.A.T.S.

A scheme is being prepared, with the sanction and approval of the Military Authorities, to form a group of women motor drivers, who will be prepared to devote their whole time, after training, as required.

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Enrolment forms will then be forwarded.

WAR MEMORIES OF 25 YEARS AGO

(From the "China Mail" files).

June 26, 1915.

There was a rather lively night in the region between the Rivers Aisne and Oise. The Germans made a violent attack on Bagatelle, but were driven back after an extremely hot struggle.

General Sukhoimlinoff, the Russian Minister of War, has resigned.

Lieutenant M. E. Nasmith has been awarded the Victoria Cross for most conspicuous bravery while commanding a submarine in the Sea of Marmora. In the face of great danger, he sank a large Turkish gunboat, two transports, an ammunition ship, and three store-ships, while a third store-ship was driven ashore.

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NAZIS QUISLING IN NORWAY

London, To-day.

A Nazi plot to undermine the position of the King of Norway is revealed by M. Koht, Norwegian Foreign Minister.

German usurpers, he said, tried to get representatives of the Norwegian people to agree that King Haakon should put aside his constitutional functions. A new council would then be formed to take over the functions of the King and his Government.

No matter how the scheme was carried out, the arrangements would be under the pressure of a foreign army and would never express the will of the Norwegian people, M. Koht declared.—Reuter.

SIR RONALD CAMPBELL SEES THE KING

London, To-day.

Sir Ronald Campbell, British Ambassador to France, was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace last evening.—British Wireless.

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THE FRENCH FLEET

Position Not Yet Clear: Lords' Statement

British Supremacy In Middle East

London, To-day.

A STATEMENT SIMILAR to that of Mr. Churchill in the Commons was made yesterday by Lord Caldecote, leader of the House of Lords, in which he emphasised that in both the occupied and unoccupied regions of France "Marshal Petain and his colleagues are held tight in the grip of the enemy: the real governors of France are to be found in Berlin and not Paris."

Britain's formal relations with the Government of France were now bound to be very difficult and actually full of danger.

In fact, it might prove actually impossible, save with the consent of Germany, that any such relations should exist at all.

"With sorrow I am afraid it must be recognised that the French submission has made the severance of formal relations between France and Great Britain for the time being almost inevitable.

"But I am empowered to give an assurance that if there are any contacts which can be maintained, His Majesty's Government will lose no opportunity."

The French Fleet

Discussing the fate of the French Fleet, Lord Caldecote said no one would be unaware of the powerful aid which the fleet could bring either to Germany or to Great Britain.

"Our defences would indeed in part depend upon ships which had until quite lately been operating in the Mediterranean with the Royal Navy.

"It would be more than a misfortune and a cause for shame if the forces so lately used in the service of the Allies were to be transferred to the enemies of France and ourselves."

Concluding, Lord Caldecote hoped the French Empire in many parts of the world would see a continuation of the struggle.

The Lackey

He declared the superior initiative and skill of our troops in the Middle East "have established in that part of the field a definite supremacy over the lackey of Germany."

"The feat of a trawler with a 4-inch gun in subduing an Italian submarine may be regarded as typical of that supremacy,"—Reuter.

Efforts Continuing

Lord Caldecote said though he could not say anything regarding the future course of the French Fleet question, Their Lordships could rest assured that the Prime Minister would relax no effort to secure that those ships should continue to serve the cause for which they had been employed for so many months. One day France would be again beside Britain in action. In that assurance, there was comfort and confidence. —British Wireless.

REPATRIATION OF REFUGEES

London, To-day.

The German radio announces that a commission appointed by Dr. Seyss-Inquart, Governor of Holland, has left the Netherlands for France to organise the repatriation of Dutch and Belgian refugees in the quickest possible manner.—Reuter.

BORDER CLASH DENIAL

Bucharest, To-day.
An official denial is issued by the Rader agency of rumours current abroad to the effect that encounters between Soviet and Romanian troops occurred on the River Danube frontier.—Reuter.



Survivors of a fishing vessel being landed from H.M. Submarine, Unity, after six days in an open boat in the North Sea. (Copyright, Fox).

MR. CHURCHILL ON POSITION OF THE FRENCH FLEET

DEFINITION OF PORTABLE RADIO SET

London, To-day.

IN THE COURSE OF HIS STATEMENT in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Winston Churchill said: "It was clear to the French Government that the British Government were resolved to continue the war and altogether cut themselves out of any association with any enquiry about an armistice.

The same evening I was preparing to go to see M. Reynaud and was, in fact, in the train when I received information he had been overthrown and a new Government under Marshal Petain had been formed, which Government had been formed for the prime purpose of seeking an armistice with Germany.

In these circumstances we naturally did everything in our power to secure proper arrangements for the disposition of the French fleet. We reminded the new government that a condition indispensable to their release had not been complied with, the condition being the fleet should be sent to British ports.

I think it would have made no difference to the negotiations for there was plenty of time to do it and the terms would hardly have been more severe than they were.

In order to enforce the earnestness with which we held our view we sent the First Lord and the First Sea Lord as well as Lord Lloyd to establish what contacts were possible with the new Ministers.

But everything was of course moving into collapse at that time. Many solemn assurances were given that the fleet would never be allowed to fall into German hands.

Article Eight

It was therefore with grief and amazement that I read Article 8 of the armistice terms. This article, to which the French Government has subscribed, says the French fleet, excepting part left free for safeguard-

ing French interests in the Colonial Empire, shall be collected in ports to be specified there to be demobilised and disarmed under German and Italian control.

From this text it is clear the French war vessels under the armistice pass into German and Italian control fully armed.

We note of course in the same article the solemn declaration of the German Government that they have no intention of using them for their own purposes during the war.

What Is The Value?

But what is the value of that? Ask half a dozen countries. What is the value of such a solemn assurance by the German Government?

Furthermore, the same Article 8 excepts from the operation of such assurance and solemn declarations those units necessary for coast surveillance and mine sweeping. Under this provision it would be possible for the German Government to reserve ostensibly for coast surveillance any existing units of the French fleet.

Finally the armistice can at any time be voided on any pretext of non-observance, and the terms of armistice

"A portable radio set is one which is movable from place to place, operating on its own power and without an aerial," stated Mr. D. W. Waterton, of the Wireless Department, in the Kowloon Court this morning, when Mr. J. M. L. Gutterres, of No. 505, Sun Sun Hotel, was summoned for possession, without a licence, of a radio receiving set.

Gutterres said that he had a licence for a radio set at a different address. He was under the impression that the set was a portable one and that the same licence covered the set which he used in the Hotel.

Mr. Waterton replied that the set in the Hotel was not portable. It was attached to an aerial.

Gutterres was fined \$8.

expressly provide for further German claims when peace between Germany and France comes to be signed.

Lamentable

Such are the salient points in this lamentable but also memorable collapse of which no doubt a much fuller account will be given by history.

The House will naturally not expect me to say anything about the future. The situation at the present time is so uncertain and obscure it would be contrary to the public interest to attempt to pronounce upon it."

Holding out the expectation of a further statement next week, Mr. Churchill concluded: "In the meantime I hope the House will continue to extend their full confidence to the Government and will believe that neither patience nor resolution will be lacking in measures they may take for the safety of the Empire."—British Wireless.

ITALY GIVES ARMISTICE TERMS IN FULL

ROME, TO-DAY.

THE TERMS OF THE FRANCO-ITALIAN ARMISTICE WERE PUBLISHED IN ROME LAST EVENING, AS FOLLOWS:

Article I. France will cease hostilities in metropolitan territory, in the French part of Africa, and in colonies and territories under French mandate.

France will also cease hostilities in the air or on the sea.

Article II. When the armistice comes into force and for the duration of the armistice, Italian troops will stand on their advanced lines in all the theatres of operations.

Article III. In French metropolitan territory, the zone situated between the lines referred to in Article II and a line drawn 50 kilometres as the crow flies beyond the Italian lines proper, shall be demilitarised for the duration of the armistice.

In Tunis, the militarised zone between the present Libyan-Tunisian frontier and a line drawn on the attached map shall be demilitarised for the duration of the armistice.

In Algeria and French African territories south of Algeria which border the Libyan zone, 200 kilometres adjoining the Libyan frontier shall be demilitarised for the duration of the armistice.

Port Of Djibouti

For the duration of hostilities between Italy and the British Empire and for the duration of the armistice, the French Somaliland coast shall be entirely demilitarised.

Italy shall have full and constant right to use the port of Djibouti with all its equipment together with the French section of the Djibouti-Adis Ababa railway for all kinds of transport.

Article IV. Zones to be demilitarised shall be evacuated by French troops within 10 days after the cessation of hostilities except only for personnel strictly necessary for the supervision and maintenance of fortification works, barracks, arms depots and military buildings and troops required to maintain order in the interior as shall be determined later by the Italian armistice commission.

No Counter-Proposals

Rome, To-day.

The French plenipotentiaries from the Bordeaux Government accepted all the Italian terms and made no counter-proposals.—Reuter.

FILIPINOS SUMMONED

Several Filipinos were summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, for failing to report their departure from the Colony on March 20.

Defendants, Honorio J. Dumatol, of No. 10, Lock Road; Felipe Tagle, of No. 2, Leighton Hill Road; Amado Beltran, of No. 10, Chi Wo Street; were fined \$10 each, while Jose Felix and Candido V. Felix residing in the Trocadero Hotel, were fined \$25.

A Russian, Donald Blackman, of No. 287, Prince Edward Road, was summoned for failing to notify his change of address.

Sergeant Hill said defendant formerly resided at No. 15, Jordan Road. He removed to Prince Edward Road in April.

A fine of \$25 was imposed.

Kurt Rilis, a Norwegian, residing at No. 4B, Hankow Road, was fined \$25 for a similar offence.

SECRET SESSION TO-MORROW

London, To-day.

It has now been arranged that after the Minister of Supply has made a statement on the work of his department on Thursday in the Commons, the subsequent discussion will take place in secret session.—British Wireless.

JAPANESE IN BIAS BAY BOMBARD AU TAU

THE JAPANESE TROOPS AND Chinese puppet forces across the border are particularly in the same positions as last night, according to information received by the "China Mail" this morning.

Tamshui, key-town midway between Sha-yu-chung on the Mirs Bay coast, and Waichow, has been entered by the Japanese, following heavy raids which have reduced the city to shambles.

WATCHMAN CHARGED

Before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, Wan Pui, 32, watchman, was charged with a breach of the Defence Regulations.

Defective Sergeant Sykes said defendant was seen leaving the Tung On Wharf with 19 copies of "news drafts," at about 8 p.m. yesterday.

Defendant said that the papers were given to him by a foki on the steamer from Macao.

Defendant was fined \$25 or three weeks' hard labour.

Chan Kwok-leung, 25, newspaper deliverer, was fined \$20 or two weeks' hard labour, when charged with a similar offence.

Mr. Edwards remarked that similar cases would be much more severely dealt with in future.

POLISH ARMY OF SEVERAL THOUSANDS IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.

The Polish Army, which is now in England numbers several thousand men. Most of them are infantry troops, but here are several contingents of Polish airmen.—Reuter.

GERMANY DICTATED THE TERMS

London, To-day.

The German terms were ruthless, avaricious and humiliating, and the Italian terms will probably be the same, a semi-official spokesman said yesterday.

If the Italian terms are comparatively light, it is probable that this is because Germany dictated the terms, with the intention of lulling the French Empire into a sense of false security—just as Munich was the prelude to the final enslavement of Czechoslovakia.

It is clear that the German terms were not published by the Bordeaux Government because it feared a violent reaction from Frenchmen all over the world.

That this fear was justified has been shown by the reaction as soon as the terms got abroad. Frenchmen will not be deceived into thinking that the Italian terms will be the last sacrifice France will have to make.—Reuter.

FRENCH WIRELESS GOES SILENT

New York, To-day. The Radio Corporation of America and the press wireless circuits between New York and Bordeaux suddenly went silent yesterday. This is believed to be due to the German armistice restrictions on French transmitters.—Reuter.

NATIONAL MOURNING IN FRANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bordeaux, To-day. Yesterday was a day of national mourning, for the soldiers who gave their lives in 1914-18 as well as in the present war.

M. Pommaret, the Minister of Interior, in a broadcast, stated: "To-day is a day of national mourning, mourning in dignity and homage to our soldiers who fought so heroically.

France must be silent and let her heart weep. She must force herself to hope."

All cinemas, cafes and theatres, as well as shops, except for those selling foodstuffs, were closed. All troops were confined to their quarters except those acting on special orders. All flags were at half mast.

One-Minute Silence

At 11 a.m., ceremonies were organised locally by mayors, prefects and military commanders at war memorials, and a one-minute silence was observed.

No music was broadcast except the Marseillaise, which was played after Marshal Petain's broadcast at noon. The Council of Ministers met in the morning after which Marshal Petain, President Lebrun and several Cabinet Ministers attended Requiem Mass in the Cathedral.—Havas.

LOSS OF "PATHAN"

Simla, To-day. It is officially announced that H.M.S. Pathan, of the Royal Indian Navy, was lost owing to enemy action.—Reuter.

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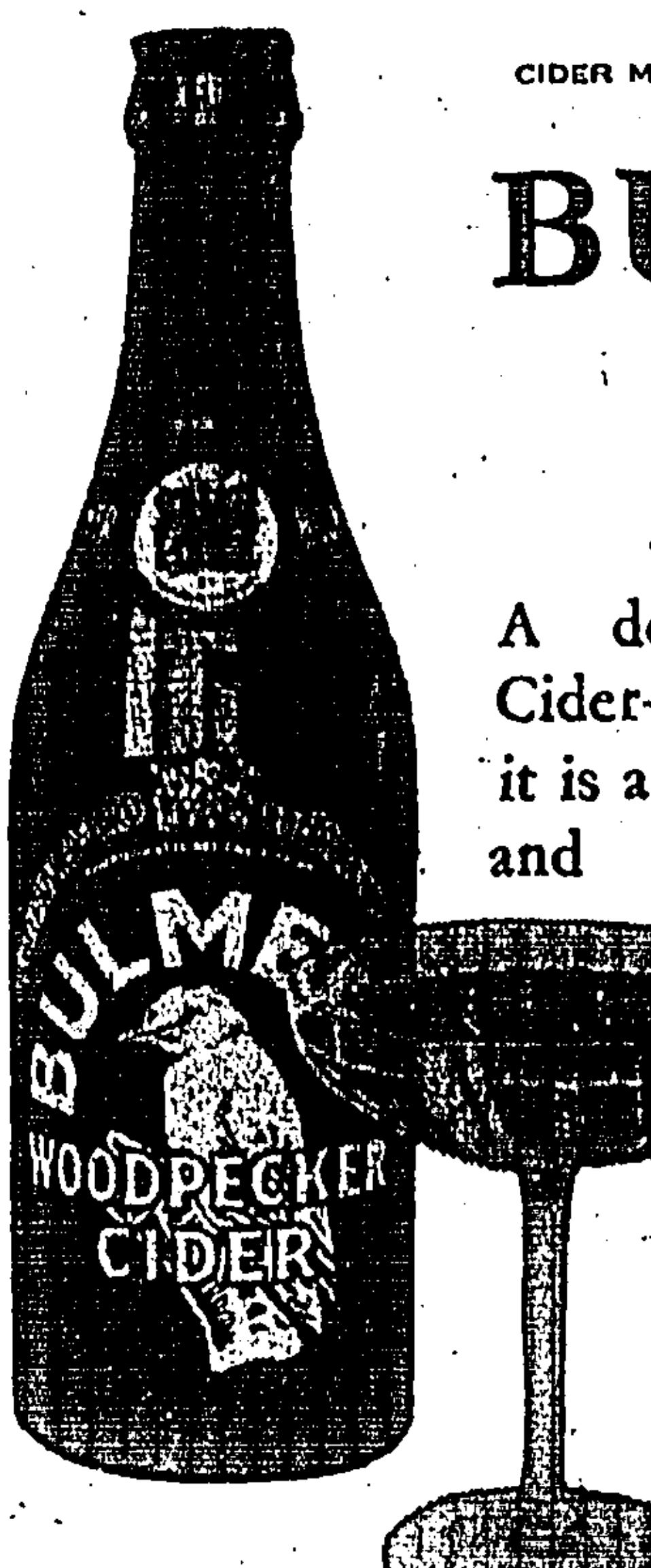
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VICTIM DISAPPEARS

Chan Taik, 23, was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. E. Hinsworth at Kowloon this morning for snatching a watch yesterday.

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The victim was a Chinese woman who disappeared after the incident.



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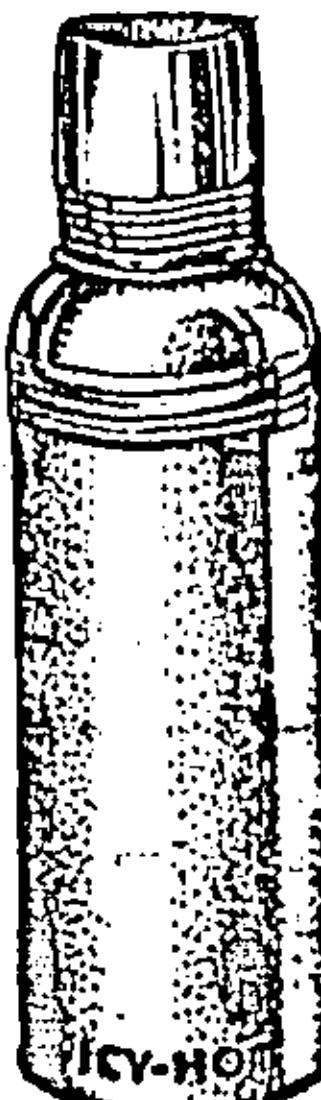
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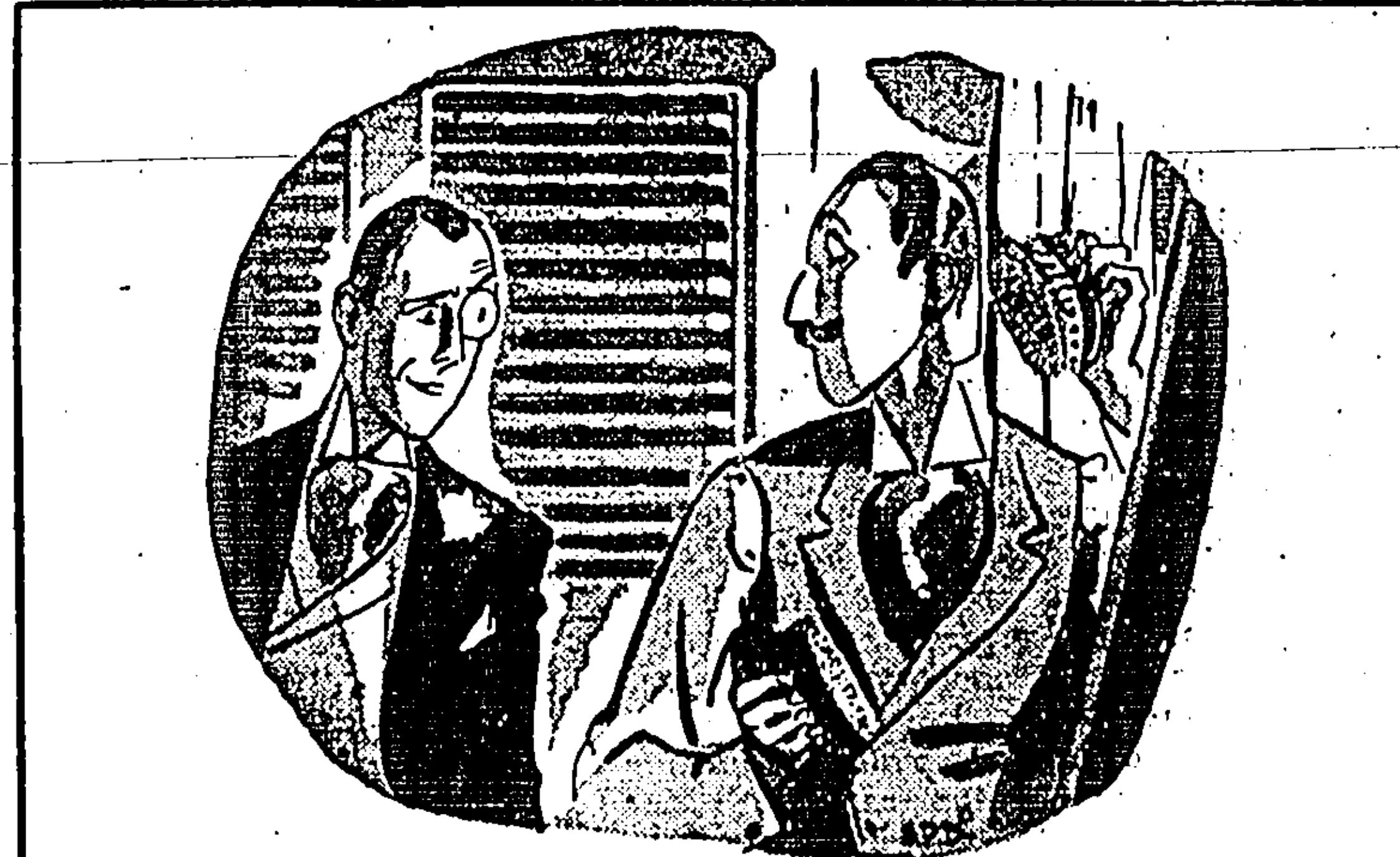
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"And the little head?"

"Ticking over beautifully old boy. Cool as a frame-full of cucumbers. Am I becoming a saturated solution—or is it just the influence of a good woman?"

"Your ignorance of the facts of life, Edmond, is little short of monumental. Remember the long draught of Rose's Lime Juice I made you drink before retiring? Pause and consider, Edmond—

knowing me as you do—was that pure altruism?"

"I've never known you do an unselfish act in your life old boy."

"Right. My only concern was to save myself trouble and get you to the church in such condition that you could both speak audibly and walk unaided. With the help of Rose's Lime Juice I have succeeded. Listen carefully, Edmond, while I explain the chemical action of Rose's—"

"I say—look! Quarter to eleven! Where's the ring? Where's my hat? Is the car ready? Is my tie all right? —Hurry up, hurry up. Where's my—oh, here it is—QUICK!"

ROSE'S LIME JUICE—THE WISE MAN'S NIGHTCAP

MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

COLONEL LINDBERGH'S OCEAN

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh seems to think the Atlantic Ocean is wider than when he flew across it in 1927.

He believes, according to his broadcast Sunday night, that "If we (in America) desire peace, we need only stop asking for war."

Denmark, Norway, Holland, and Belgium did not ask for war.

He says:

We are in danger of war to-day not because European people have attempted to interfere with the internal affairs of America but because American people have attempted to interfere with the internal affairs of Europe.

It would require more documentation than Colonel Lindbergh offers to show wherein the American people have tried to interfere with internal affairs of Europe since the World War. In fact, it could be said with more reason that the conflagration in Europe which threatens America to-day got its start partly because the United States failed to do its part toward consolidating the peace it helped to win.

Colonel Lindbergh does not object to the \$1,000,000,000 defence programme advanced by President Roosevelt; rather, he approves "reasonable defence forces," including aircraft. Possibly he would recognize that this and most of the \$6,000,000,000 spent on defence in the last seven years by the United States are direct costs of the developments in Europe which he thinks offer no threat of invasion to America.

His recipe for security is that the United States take the other nations of the Western Hemisphere under the wings of its air force, presumably whether they like it or not, and make sure that they do not get into wars with European Powers. Does not this sound like meddling with the internal affairs and foreign policies of Latin-American nations?

The essence of Colonel Lindbergh's plea appears to be in this: "Let us turn again to America's traditional role—that of building and guarding our own destiny." What is that destiny? Is it to attempt a selfish—and—unsecure aloofness in the shambles of a world engulfed by hate and rapine? Is it America's traditional role to remain blind to the implications of foreign wars and aggressions until it costs more to protect herself from chaos on her borders and sea-lanes than it would have cost to help preserve a semblance of world order and decency?

"We cannot aid others," the Colonel concludes, "until we have first placed our own country in a position of spiritual and material leadership and strength." Can spiritual leadership result from self-interest that thinks only of its own safety and advantage in the face of an attack on the moral and ethical standards humanity has spent centuries in building? — "Christian Science Monitor".

THE "WAR LOANS" AGAIN

The old theme of the United States dragged into the last European conflict because of its "war loans" has been revived by several members of the Senate. Mr. Johnson of California recalls the oft-quoted comment, "our heart is where our money is."

The facts are all readily available. Before the United States entered the war no public loans of any kind were made abroad by the American

Government. Only private loans were made by individual American investors. Such loans amounted in round numbers to \$2,250,000,000. Concerning these loans, there are two relevant factors to be noted: First, the greater part of them was secured by first-class collateral, consisting of American and other neutral securities, so that the investors did not need an Allied victory in order to be paid. Second, the national wealth of the United States in 1917 amounted to more than \$200,000,000,000. If "our heart is where our money is," then our heart was in this country—on the side of the two hundred billions—and not in Europe, on the side of the two and a half billions. Any "economic" interpretation of history which suggests that we had a profit motive in risking two hundred dollars at home for the sake of protecting two and a half dollars abroad is on its face sheer nonsense.

The American people went to war in 1917 for publicly declared reasons of national safety and because they believed it to be to their best interests to do so. They must be tired of theories which picture them as either knaves or fools.—New York Times.

"CONGRESS MUST NOT ADJOURN"

Clearly, it would be a grave mistake for Congress to adjourn this summer. We must have as quick access to congressional action as do the British and French Parliaments. Overnight may come a change in the world situation requiring the exercise of legislative power. We may not be able to wait for the call of an extra session. The world moves too fast nowadays for that. And we cannot simply delegate all legislative power to one man while Congress disperses to the four corners of the land . . .

We need a better anti-aircraft defence, more military and naval air-planes and pilots. . . .

We should, moreover, study once

more our "neutrality" laws. Shall we continue to put obstacles in the path of the British and French? Shall we, too, be deluded by the conceptions of "neutrality" which have lately been evolved by isolationists in our midst, or shall we return to the international law of 1933 when it was lawful and proper for us to export our goods for credit to any part of the world? Shall we allow the

fact that the British and French became bankrupt between 1920 and 1930, and hence could not pay us their debts, to interfere with private loans to the Allies that might have to be made now in our own self-interest? What would happen inside the United States if no bank or financial institution would ever lend money again to any individual business man who had been president of a company that went into receivership or bankruptcy? . . .

To-day Great Britain and France are fighting with their backs to the wall. They cannot be aided by an expeditionary force from our America. We could be of no military aid to them, but we can help them by removing the restrictions on credit which we have placed upon them.—United States News.

"OUR SACRED WILL"

"We have assured all our immediate neighbours of the integrity of their territory as far as Germany is concerned. This is no hollow phrase; it is our sacred will."

Who said it? Adolf Hitler, in September, 1938.—Philadelphia Record.

German Version Of Armistice Terms

PETAIN CABINET

GUARANTEES

BERLIN, TO-DAY.
THE TERMS OF THE FRANCO-GERMAN ARMISTICE WERE PUBLISHED IN GERMANY FOR THE FIRST TIME YESTERDAY BY THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY; THE ARTICLES ARE THE SAME AS THOSE ALREADY PUBLISHED ABROAD WITH SOME EXCEPTIONS.

Article One, which was given briefly as "immediate cessation of hostilities," is shown to be much more specific.

It reads: "The French Government agrees to cause a cessation of the hostilities against Germany in France, in French colonial possessions, protectorates and mandated territories."

Article Three, dealing with German rights as an occupying power, explicitly binds the French Government "to instruct immediately all French authorities and public offices in occupied territory to obey all orders of the German Command and co-operate with them correctly."

Article Six, providing for the storage under German and Italian control of French arms and military equipment in the unoccupied area of France, adds: "The German High Command retains the power to order any measures necessary to prevent the unauthorised use of this material."

Fleet Assurances

Article Seven, which requires the French to hand over plans of fortifications and particulars of mines and other defences, includes a provision that "all such obstacles must be removed by the French forces at the demand of the Germans."

Article Eight, calling home the French fleet for demobilisation and disarmament, specifies that "the harbour to which a warship is to return must be determined on the basis of its home port in peacetime."

The Article, after making a "solemn declaration" that Germany will not use the French fleet for its own purposes during the war, says: "The German Government further solemnly and expressly declares it does not intend to claim the French fleet on the conclusion of peace."

Merchant Shipping

Article Eleven, after dealing with the disposal of French merchant shipping, demands the "handing over in good condition on demand of all seized German merchant ships in French ports."

Article Twelve, which forbids French aircraft to leave the ground, adds: "Any aircraft taking off without German permission will be regarded by the German air force as an enemy and treated as such."

By Article Thirteen, dealing with the surrender intact of all military and other establishments, as well as communications in the occupied area, the French Government undertakes to ensure that "skilled labour, rolling stock and other means of transport are available in the amount necessary to the normal needs of peace."

Vital Needs

Article Seventeen lays down that supplies in occupied territory can be used only in agreement with the German Government which "undertakes to take into consideration the vital needs of the population of unoccupied territory."

Article Nineteen requires the release not only of German prisoners of war but of civilians "detained for acts in favour of the German Reich." It adds the French Government must hand over all Germans named by the German Government residing in France and French colonies, protectorates and mandated territories. The French Gov-

ernment undertakes to prevent the removal of German military and civilian prisoners from France to French possessions or abroad. Complete lists will be submitted of all prisoners already taken outside France as well as German prisoners of war who are sick or wounded and incapable of being transported.—Reuter.

RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA AND MEXICO

London, To-day.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, was asked in the House of Commons yesterday if he was now in a position to make a statement regarding negotiation of a trade agreement with Russia.

Mr. Butler said discussions were at present in progress. It was not possible to make a more detailed statement at this moment.

Mexico was now willing to resume diplomatic relations with the British Government.

The invitation of the Mexican Government is receiving careful consideration. I am not in a position to make any statement regarding the nature of our reply."

Mr. Will Thorne (Lab) suggested the matter be speeded up and a settlement arrived at as early as possible.

Mr. Butler: "The Government fully realise the importance of the matter."—Reuter.

NEW YORK FRENCHMEN REPUDIATE PETAIN

New York, To-day.

A statement issued by a group of influential French citizens here states:—

"We consider the present French Government, having to deliberate in territory occupied or controlled by the enemy, no longer in a position to represent or safeguard the permanent interests of France."

"We wish to express our gratitude to the British Government for inviting the French people remaining in free lands to continue the fight to ultimate victory, and for reaffirming the promise to re-establish France in full possession of her rights and territories."—Reuter.

STRANGE JAPANESE ANNOUNCEMENT

Tokyo, To-day.

The Japanese Army Command in South China announced yesterday that operations were begun on June 17 to "cut off by force" the transport of war supplies to General Chiang Kai-shek through Indo-China.

It added that information obtained through air reconnaissance and reports from friendly Annamites had shown this traffic was continuing as actively as ever, despite repeated Japanese protests.

The announcement ignores the agreement reached between the French and Japanese Governments since June 17 on the subject of stopping supplies.

At the same time, the Japanese Navy Ministry states arrangements have been made to dispatch warships to Haiphong to watch in regard to conditions of transport of goods through French Indo-China.—Reuter.

TALK OF AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC ACTION

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

A SPOKESMAN OF THE AMERICAN CONSULATE STATED YES-TERDAY THAT THE EMBASSY IS CLOSELY WATCHING THE MOVE-MENTS OF THE JAPANESE REGARDING FRENCH INDO-CHINA.

He added that it is probable that diplomatic action will be taken in con-

IMPORTANT BILL IN COMMONS

London, To-day.

A Bill "to make emergency provision with respect to the Government of India and Burma" was introduced in the Commons last evening and will probably be passed through all its stages to-day in Commons and on Thursday in the Lords.

The Bill — which has nothing to do with constitutional reform — provides that as a form of insurance against either the possible interruption of communications between this country and India or Burma or against conditions arising in Britain which hampered the speedy conduct of Government business, the Governor-General of India and the Governor of Burma should be given the power, as a temporary emergency measure, themselves to take certain action which the law, as it stands, requires to be taken by some authority in the United Kingdom.—British Wireless.

SOVIET TROOPS ON LITHUANIAN BORDER

Kaunas, To-day.

The frontier between Germany and Lithuania will be guarded by troops of the Red Army, according to a statement by the Chief of the Lithuanian Police.—Reuter.

nection with the French authorities decision to close the Yunnan Railway to traffic into the interior in accordance with Japanese demands.

China, he said, is paying off loans to America in tung oil, all of which is exported through French Indo-China.—Our Own Correspondent.



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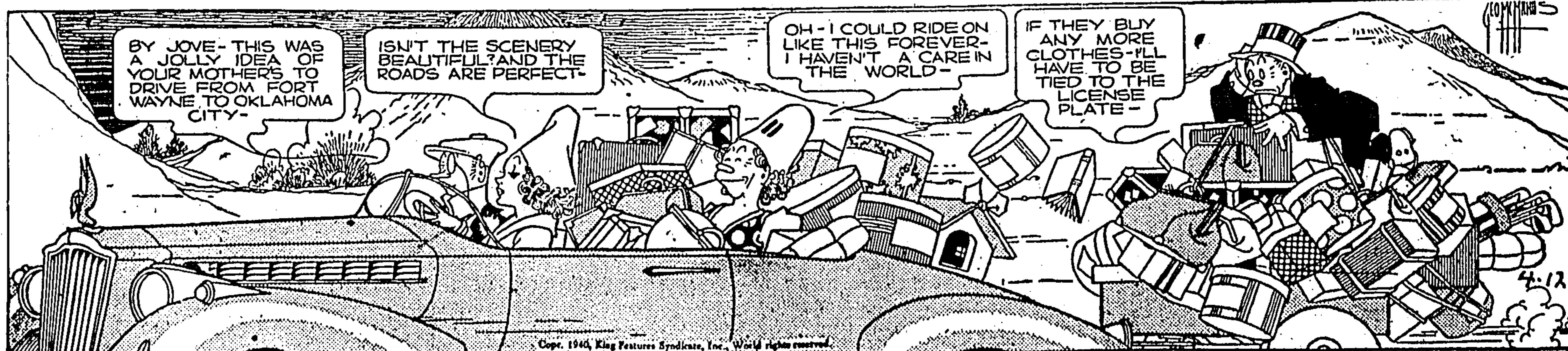
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The epic struggle of the B.E.F. from May 10 onwards should be commemorated at once in the form of a campaign medal.

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They should now have something on their chests to show for it.

The Mons Star was awarded to those who took part in the first three months' fighting in 1914. Why not an Arras Star to-day?

Men so decorated do not become conceited because their comrades envy them the distinction. They feel a quiet confidence in themselves due to experience gained. And it is this which is such a valuable asset to the Army as a whole.

Inspecting officers on parade stop in front of a new campaign medal, not so much to congratulate the wearer as to inquire—between one fighting man and another—how he fared when meeting the enemy. The campaigner thus becomes a responsible person who has valuable knowledge to impart to his comrades of all ranks.

I urge, therefore, that no time should be lost in providing our heroic B.E.F. with a mark of recognition for their deeds.

So far, we have had no Victoria Crosses in this war. Why?

Most of the British decorations in this war have been rightly earned by the Navy and the Air Force, but now the Army has come into its own. Individual deeds of valour must have surpassed anything in the annals of the British Army.

EIGHT WITNESSES

Here I would like to point out that the Army is at a severe disadvantage compared with the other two Services. To obtain a Victoria Cross for a man, his Commanding Officer must have eight witnesses, four of whom should belong to other units.

This rule was devised to keep the standard of the award high, and it certainly had that effect in the last war, because very few C.O.s had the time or opportunity to collect sufficient evidence. Nor are they likely to have had much chance during the past three weeks' fighting.

When a ship is in action it is different, and the same applies to a squadron of aeroplanes. Individual deeds may be seen and noted under, perhaps, more favourable conditions.

But on land, witnesses must be collected and forms filled in, and when all the necessary evidence is collected it may be destroyed by a bomb—and nobody gets anything at all.

WOMEN ADORE MEDALS

I remember, as a young C.O. in 1918, writing out 35 stories of individual bravery, all signed and witnessed on the necessary forms. It was a heavy task, but it was worth doing, and when it was completed I went to sleep exhausted with the fatigue of battle and slept for 24 hours.

I was awakened by a signal from Lord Plumer, then in command of

the 2nd Army, to say we had been awarded six M.C.s, six D.C.M.s and 23 Military Medals and that he was coming down himself to present them.

It was a great moment when he arrived to pin the medals on the boys' chests, but I kicked myself for a

By
LT.-COL. T.A.
LOWE

long time afterwards that I had not kept awake long enough to write 60 stories instead of only 35.

In his heart of hearts every Service man loves medals. What is perhaps more important still is that women adore them.

There is no finer thrill in the world than to parade before his Majesty and have a decoration pinned on your jacket. And then to walk through the gate of Buckingham Palace afterwards with a girl on your arm all rigged up in her best clothes, and get "shot" by a Press photographer, makes you feel like a million dollars.

MAGNIFICENT WORK OF R.A.F. OFFICER

London, To-day.
A remarkable story of personal dash and courage is revealed in the announcement of the award of the D.S.O. to Flight-Lt. Soden, who is reported missing.

Soden's flight was ordered to France at short notice and during the following two days he acted as leader of many combats against the enemy.

He personally shot down five enemy aircraft and possibly two more while his flight destroyed a further seven.

On one occasion Soden attacked single-handed between 50 and 60 enemy fighters, destroying one of them.

On another occasion, while the aerodrome was being bombed, Soden jumped from the shelter of the trench and climbed into the nearest fighter aircraft without knowing whether it was fully fuelled or armed, and despite the presence of delayed action bombs on the aerodrome, covered in smoke, took off and attacked a greatly superior force. Soden is a Londoner and is 23 years old.—Reuter.

By George McManus



The crew of a Hampden bomber, the pilot of which is an Australian, who bombed and sank a German warship at Bergen, leaving their plane after their victorious flight. (Copyright, Fox).

PRINCE KONOYE'S ONE-PARTY BID IN TOKYO

Tokyo, To-day.

ACTIVE LEADERSHIP IN THE movement to form the projected single powerful political party is favourably received by the Japanese newspapers.

As the resignation of Prince Konoye had long been expected there was no sentiment of surprise. All papers agree his efforts will be confronted with great difficulties before they are crowned with success but they hope with his leadership a really powerful political party with the whole hearted support of the entire nation will soon be brought into being.

"Political reconstruction should not be in mere dissolution of existing political parties and the reassembly of their members with the same old ideas," writes the "Asahi Shimbun."

"Nor would the aim of the new party movement be the mere acquisition of administrative power."

"Japan's position to-day is quite different from that of yesterday," says the "Nichi-Nichi." "In other words, Japan must go further than disposal of the 'China Affair' and must co-

operate in the building up of a new world order. In this lies the necessity for remoulding the political structure of this country."

"Rising Power"

The "Kokumin Shimbun" envisages the difficulties ahead but hopes Prince Konoye will attack the problem with a clear understanding of the rising power of the nation.

UNITY FOR DEFENCE OF IRELAND

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A SUGGESTION THAT NORTHERN IRELAND AND EIRE SHOULD UNITE FOR DEFENCE PURPOSES FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR WAS DISCUSSED BY LORD GLENTORAN, CHIEF UNIONIST WHIP OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND GOVERNMENT, IN AN INTERVIEW YESTERDAY.

He said: "When Mr. de Valera has overcome the difficulties with which he is faced and thrown in his lot with the other great peoples of the British Empire in defence of liberty, if he asks Lord Craigavon to drop constitutional questions for the period of the war and stands in with him in defence of our beloved country, I know what the Ulster leader's answer will be."—Reuter.

CABLE REPAIRS

Repairs to the submarine cable in Sulphur Channel between Green Island and Hong Kong will be carried out to-day and to-morrow, according to the Harbour authorities.

Prescribed signals will be hoisted in the area.

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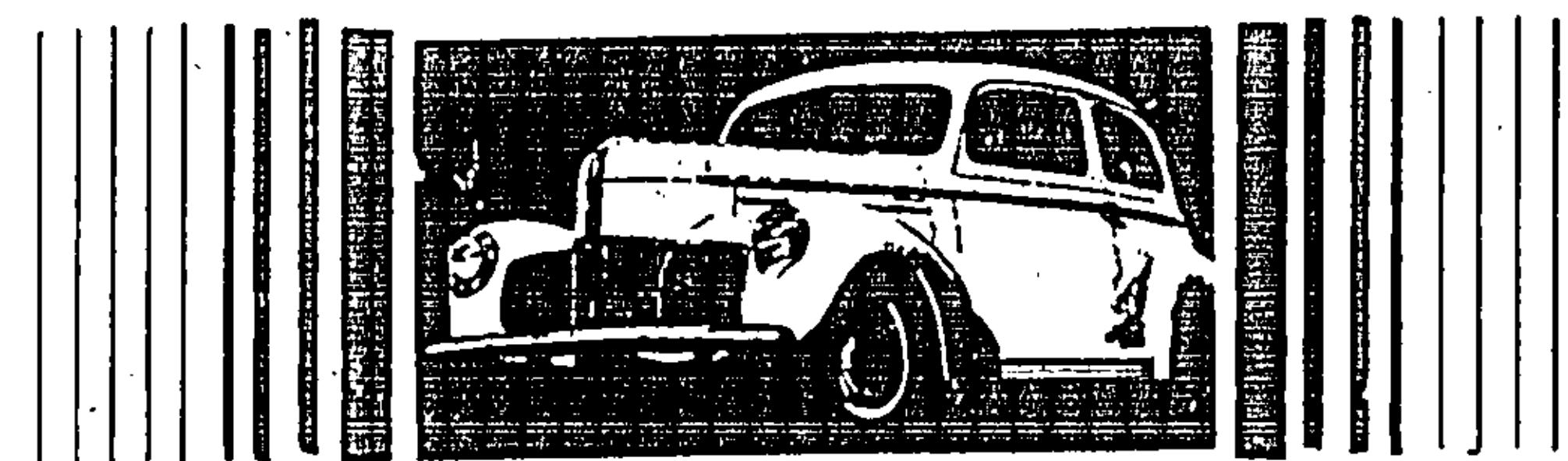
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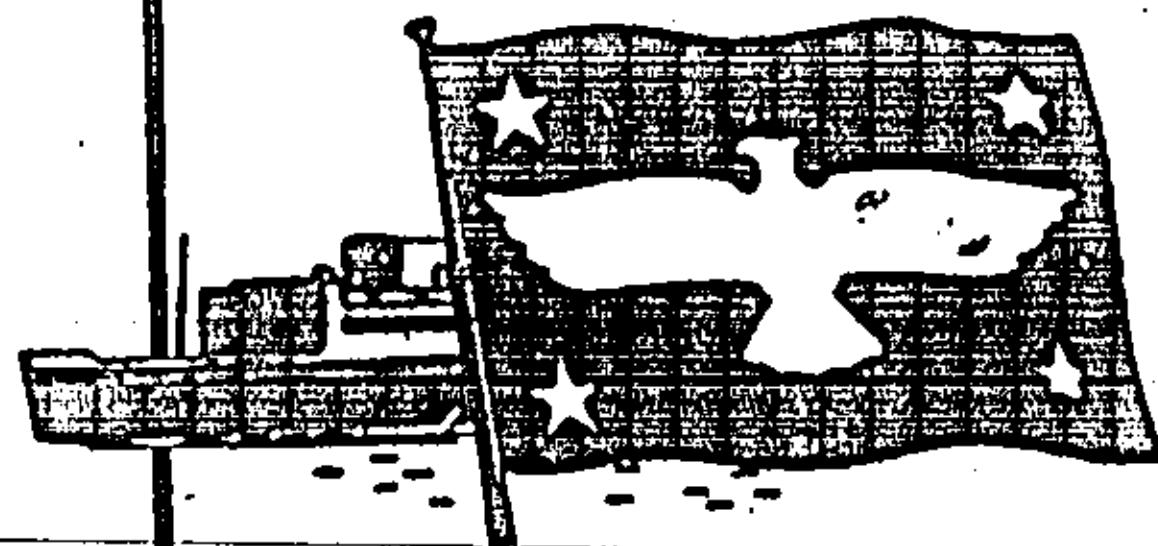
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WAR IN AFRICA: ITALIAN LACK OF INITIATIVE

London, To-day.

THE WAR IN AFRICA has now been in progress ten days and it can safely be asserted, it is stated authoritatively in London, that the British forward troops have shown themselves very much superior to the enemy in initiative, dash and skill. On the Kenya front there have been many successful attacks and the border town of Mayale was several times raided.

On the Sudan front activities included an attack on the Mettema garrison by British troops assisted by Abyssinians, when 50 casualties were inflicted on the enemy.

In British Somaliland skirmishes were invariably left to the advantage of the British irregular troops.

Libyan Operations

On the Libyan front armoured patrols penetrated deep into the enemy lines to completely surprise the enemy there whose morale has been affected.

Many Libyans conscripted into the Italian forces who have fallen into British hands have expressed the hope they will be allowed to join the British forces against the Italians.

Fifty Italian aircraft have been destroyed on different fronts. Italian aircraft have given a poor account of themselves, confirming the belief that the training of Italian personnel has been relatively inadequate.

The morale of all ranks of the British forces is declared to be excellent.—Reuter.

Nairobi Communique

Nairobi, To-day. A communique states all is quiet on all fronts.

A patrol of 12 armed tribesmen attacked an advanced British post in the Turkana sector, west of Lake Rudolf. The attack was repulsed and there were no British casualties.—Reuter.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE FIRMS UP

London, To-day. The Stock Exchange was firmer yesterday after an easy opening. Prices initially declined but partially rallied on a slight increase in the volume of business. Some leading industrials recovered recent losses. Wall Street was irregular.—Reuter.

LORD MAYOR'S FUND REACHES £2,000,000

London, To-day. The Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund has reached £2,000,000.—Reuter.

SPECIAL TRAINS FOR FANLING

In connection with the opening of the War orphanage at Fanling on Saturday, the Kowloon-Canton Railway are to issue cheap return tickets available on the 10.00 a.m., 12.00 noon and 1.30 p.m. trains and on any train from Fanling are 4.16 p.m., 5.46 p.m. and 6.57 p.m.

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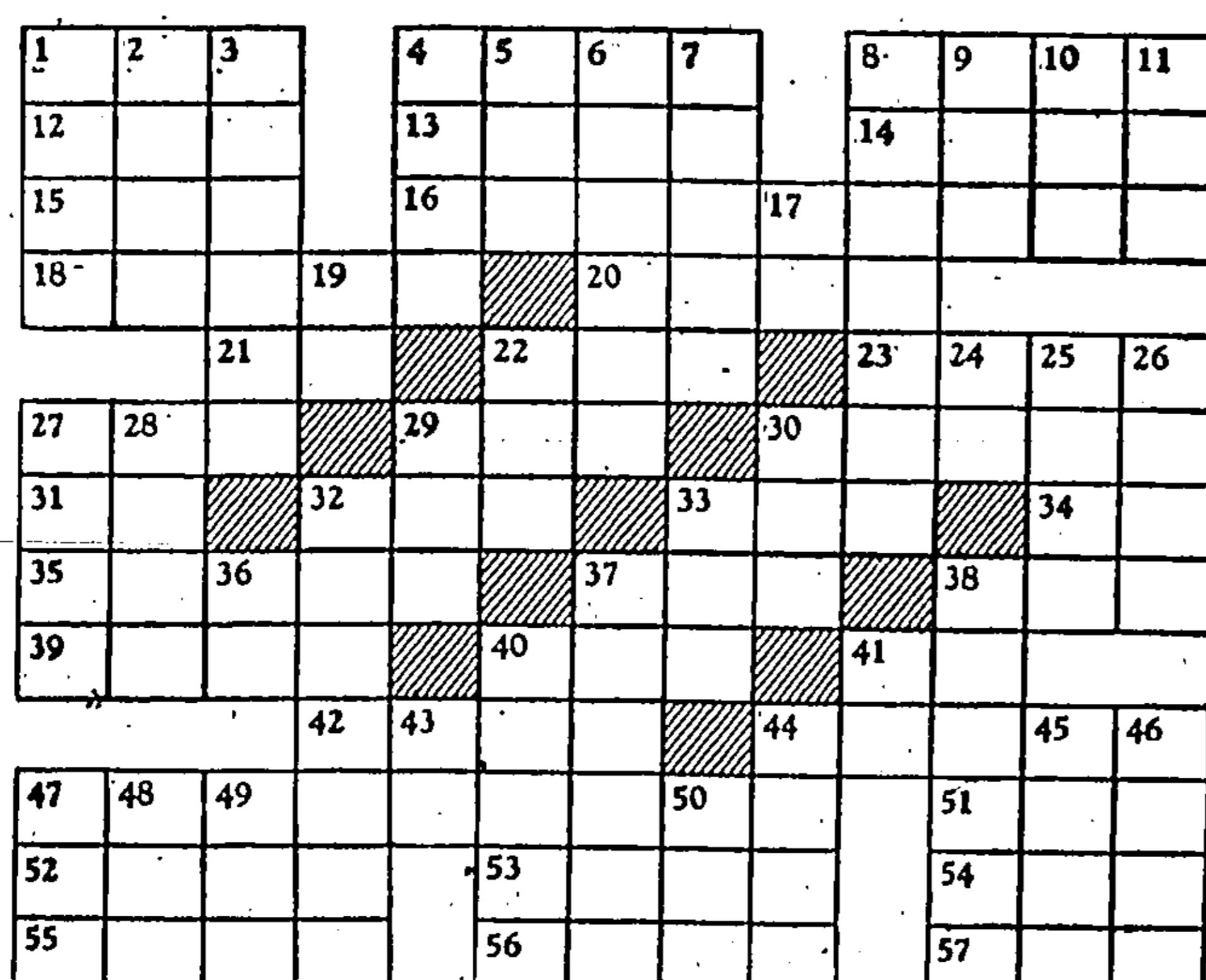
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Six Leading Clubs Withdraw From Federation

PRECAUTIONS IN BRITAIN

"Precautions against a surprise German invasion across the English Channel were taken last night," says the "Daily Mail."

"Heavily armed naval units occupied the pier at one south coast town, while troops hurriedly constructed sandbagged machine-gun posts on the promenade," the "Daily Mails" adds. "Strong naval forces could be seen patrolling off-shore. The pier was mined in readiness for demolition, if necessary."

FRICITION OVER CONTROL BELIEVED REASON

A BOMBSHELL WAS DROPPED in Chinese Sporting circles last night, at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation, when it was announced that six of the leading sporting clubs of the Federation have withdrawn from membership of the Federation.

The clubs concerned are South China Athletic Federation, which caters for all forms of outdoor sports but particularly football, basketball and swimming; Chinese Recreation Club,

the premier Chinese tennis Club in Colony; Chinese Bathing Club; Chinese Y.M.C.A., prominent with their swimming galas; Taikoo Docks Recreation Club for Chinese; and the Hong Kong Branch of the mini-ball football Association.

No reason for their joint withdrawal was announced or put forward by the clubs concerned but it is believed to have been due to friction over the control of the Federation.

PRESIDENT RE-ELECTED

In spite of this the election of officers for the coming year was carried through, and Mr. Mok Hing was re-elected president of the Club for the ensuing year.

It must be pointed out that the Federation is the controlling body of all sports among Chinese in Hong Kong and is affiliated to the Chinese National Amateur Athletic Federation.

At the conclusion of the meeting it was decided that the clubs be written to asking them to withdraw their resignation.

The effects of these should have far-reaching results if the Federation is able to enforce its powers and other Clubs remain loyal to it.

In short Clubs affiliated to the Federation will not be permitted to play against unaffiliated Clubs in any branch of sport.

Officers Elected

The following have been elected to represent the various sections of the Federation for the coming year:

President:—Mr. Mok Hing.
Vice-President:—Mr. Aw Haw.
Treasurer:—Mr. Wong Wai-tai.
Auditor:—Mr. Lau Ah-ming.
General Manager:—Lo Kwok-ming.
Secretary:—Mr. Wong Yuk-kam.
Football:—Mr. Sze Po-wai.
Small-Type Football:—Mr. Ng Fook-kong.
Billiards:—Mr. Lau Hee-man.
Swimming:—Mr. Lo Kwok-ming.
Basketball:—Mr. Wong Kong.
Track and Field:—Mr. Tsang Kim-hong.
Volley Ball:—Mr. Lo Chi-hing.
Tennis:—(no selection yet).
Water Polo:—Mr. Lai Yu-chack.
Ping Pong:—Mr. Wong Wal-hing.

QUISLINGS IN CROYDON

"It seems that we have our own Quislings in Croydon," said the secretary of Croydon War Savings Committee (Rear-Admiral A. H. Harrison).

He was referring to the pasting twice this week of anti-war labels on the committee's office windows in George-street, which is being investigated by the police.

"Men who do what these label-stickers have done are capable of any unpatriotic action."

TRIED TO HELP FOE—POLICE

A well-dressed woman had to be forcibly removed from the dock at Bath Police Court when she was remanded for a week in custody on a charge relating to the distribution of enemy propaganda.

She was Olive Evelyn Baker, aged forty, whose address was given as a Bath nursing home.

The charge against her was that, "with intent to assist the enemy, and to the prejudice of public safety and the efficient prosecution of the war, she published and distributed a number of postcards relating to enemy wireless propaganda."

When asked if she had anything to say, Baker made no reply, but she resisted when a police officer and a matron were escorting her to the stairs leading to the cells.

She was heard to shout, "Leave go will you."

CHINESE HIT BY EUROPE'S WAR

Chinese reports state that overseas Chinese who, until the outbreak of hostilities in Europe were engaged in trade, have been undergoing many hardships since the war and, while numbers of them have returned to their country many are still stranded in belligerent countries. It is asserted that among those who suffer the most are those Chinese in Germany who, being jobless have been reduced to refugees.

Recently, it is stated, the Chinese Embassy in Germany distributed travelling expenses to the stranded and poor overseas Chinese in that country. Each of them was given U.S.\$10 so that they might be able to return to China, but that shipping transportation fees were increased, according to the reports. Although the official relief might have helped those overseas Chinese who have some means at their disposal, many poor overseas Chinese in Germany had to choose a near destination, Italy, where they are stranded.

RUSSIAN TROOPS MOVING

Bucharest, Rumania, June 20. Rumanian government circles were Russian border and that other Soviet forces were concentrating in Russian Poland.—Associated Press.

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Before the plane crashed he took to his parachute. Landing near an advancing column of tanks he ran across and jumped on to the nearest one.

Only then did he realise where he was. The tanks were not French—but German!

He decided to keep his grandstand seat, and trust that in his flying kit any Germans seeking him there would not recognise him.

It worked. He got a free ride at the enemy's expense, staying on the tank until he reached a place where he could jump off and strike across country back to the Allied lines.

"This incident is typical of the bravery and initiative that characterise the pilots of the Royal Air Force," said Captain H. H. Balfour, Under-Secretary of State for Air, when he told the story in a broadcast.

MILKED COW MID BULLETS

While German planes zoomed overhead machine-gunning a Belgian train crammed with refugees, a woman jumped out to milk a cow in a nearby field to get milk for three babies.

Bullets spattered round her as she calmly filled several empty beer bottles with milk, then clutching them in her arms, she ran back to the train.

She was Mrs. Renee Thorn, Belgian wife of Mr. Arthur Thorn, retired sea captain of Dovercourt, Essex. After travelling for a week without sleep and with practically nothing to eat, she has arrived home.

"Our train took twenty-four hours from Antwerp to Ypres," she told a reporter, "Normally the journey takes an hour. All the time we were machine-gunned and several people were killed and wounded."

"The babies had to be fed. I suppose I was lucky not to have been killed while milking the cow."

While she was in Ostend the Germans bombed and sank the boat she was to have boarded. It was already packed with refugees.

"I saw the boat sinking," she said. "Of the people on board about 350 were killed or injured."



5-6

Athletic Andy got his letter from four schools—letters from the faculty saying how much they were going to miss him.



A picture on board a British warship following showing a French poll interested in a game of cards played by French and English sailors on deck. (Copyright, Fox).

2,000 POLISH TROOPS STAND OFF GERMAN MECHANISED UNITS

Berne, June 19.

The account of how less than 2,000 Polish soldiers, armed only with bottles of petrol which they set afire, heroically stood off German mechanised units, was told to-day by officers who reached the Swiss border.

The great majority of the daring unit died in position rather than retreat. The encounter took place before Charquement, small French town close to the Swiss frontier, and the Polish troops' unstinted courage gave a large number of French civilians time to reach the Swiss frontier in safety.

Other reports, coming from observers along the northern Swiss border, meanwhile stated that whereas violent artillery fire was heard yesterday at 2.30 p.m. north and northwest of Basle, since then there has been complete silence.

PLACED UNDER BRITISH

Polish forces serving in France were ordered to-day to place themselves under British command. All Polish troops were ordered to make immediately either for Switzerland or southern France.

Orders were issued through the B.B.C. by General Wladislaw Sikorski, Polish Commander in Chief.—Havas.

HEROIN HABIT IN TAIYUANFU

Taiyuanfu, Shansi.

Four out of every ten people in Taiyuanfu are now addicted to smoking heroin, it is admitted by a recent investigation by the Japanese-sponsored provincial government here. Whole villages and families are said to be addicted in this area, states the report.

Figures published recently throughout the occupied areas of North China, by the Japanese-sponsored press, show a steady spread of narcotic consumption. Tax returns published by the opium taxation bureaus increase rather than decrease.

The narcotic commonly used is the most deadly and vicious in its social effects of all opium derivatives. The smoking of raw opium in the old Chinese manner is said to be dying out.—Associated Press.

MALTA'S PART

London, To-day.
"We are fully determined with God's help to maintain the integrity of this part of the British Empire whatever happens and whether the time be short or long we have every confidence in final victory." This is the reply of the garrison and people of Malta to the Prime Minister's message assuring them of his conviction that they would make the defence of their island glorious in British military history.—Reuter.

GERMAN CLAIMS

New York, June 21.
Columbia Broadcasting System reported to-day that Berlin radio had announced that the Germans had captured 400 warplanes "just arrived from the United States" in addition to 2,000 motors "complete with plans for mounting." The announcer did not say where the planes were captured.—Associated Press.



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LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2 7/8.

London Silver was quoted at 21-1/8 for spot and 21 for forward.

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of the King, After the Ball is Over, etc.
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1.14 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections.

Sundown in Old Waikiki; All My Life...Elliot's Hawaiian Novelty Liliu E...Lizzie Alohaika. Beautiful Woman...William Ewakilo with the Royal Hawaiian Glee Club.

Delilah (Waltz); Poeme (Waltz)...Gino Bordin & His Hawaiians. 1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Dance Music by Billy Cotton and His Band. How Many Rhymes can you Get? Toot-toot-tootle on your Flute. I Ups to Her and She ups to Me. Don't Let that Moon get away. Wish me Luck as you Wave me Goodbye.

There's Something Wrong with the Weather.

Have you Ever been in Heaven. Thanks for the Memory.

2.15 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

6.00 p.m.—Petroushka Ballet (Stravinsky), London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates.

6.36 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.38 p.m.—Burleske (Richard Strauss). Elly Ney (Piano) and The Berlin State Opera Orchestra.

6.56 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"The Ogboddy's Outing." A Short Play.

7.10 p.m.—Ballads.

When the Guards Go Marching By (Barker); When the Sergeant Major on Parade (Longstaffe)...Peter Dawson.

Roses of Picardy (Haydn Wood)...Hubert Eisdell.

Bless this House (Brahe); Soul of Mine (Barns)...Essie Ackland, The Admiral's Broom (Beven)...Peter Dawson.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Relay from Government House—An Appeal by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government on behalf of the War Fund organised by the South China Morning Post Ltd.

God Save the King.

8.10 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.

"Stop Press" incl. How's Chances, You and the Night and the Music, The Beggar's Dream, Lonely Heart, How can I Hold you Close enough, Easter Parade, Confession...New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Viktoria & Her Hussar" incl. Fol-

lowing the Drum, Pardon Madame, Mausie, Only One Girl in the World, Land of Song, Goodnight...Light Opera Company.

"Lucky Girl" incl. Under a Star where I was Born, Where have you been all my life, When I Get Eyes on Crazy Rhythm...New Mayfair Orchestra.

"The Singing Fool" Theme Song—Sonny Boy...The Salon Group.

8.35 p.m.—A Variety Programme. Comedian—The Death of Willie; The Martins and the Coys...Bob Dyer.

Comedian—Sam's Medal...Stanley Holloway.

Comedienne—Out in the New Mown Hay; So Tired...Ann Penn.

Yodeller—Yodel all Day; Yodeller's Dream Girl...Harry Torrani.

Vocal—Cheek to Cheek; The Poccocino...Ginger Rogers.

Vocal—A Fine Romance; Bojangles of Harlem...Fred Astaire.

Comedian—Please let me Sleep on your Doorstep To-night...Billy Bennett with his Kerbstone Quartette.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News Summary.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—Matters of Moment.

9.45 p.m.—Reginald Foort at the Organ. Lulworth Cove (Shadwell); Seville (Haydn Wood)...with the B.B.C. Variety Orchestra.

At the Hunt Ball (arr. Foort).

A Day's Hunting (based on a Hunting Scene by Bucalossi).

10.00 p.m.—An Hour of Dance Music. Quicksteps—China Boy; Choo-Choo...The Ballyhooligans.

Tangos—Tu Sais; Jalouse...Xavier Cugat & the Waldorf Astoria Orch.

Foxtrots—Foggy Day in London; Nice Work if you can Get it...Jack Harris' Orchestra.

Foxtrot—Deep in a Dream; Waltz—Mexicali Rose...Oscar Rabin and his Romany Band.

Foxtrots—The Duke Insists; Garden of Weed...Paul Whiteman & his Orchestra.

Foxtrots—Manhattan Holiday; Amoresque...Jack Harris & his Orchestra.

Tangos—Ventarron; Don Juan...Orquesta Tipica Victor.

Foxtrot—Head Over Heels...Ambrose & his Orchestra.

Foxtrots—Cryin' Mood; Pardon My Love...Fats Waller & his Rhythm.

Foxtrot—Cuban Pete; Waltz—At the Close of a Long Long Day...Joe Loss' Orchestra.

11.00 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.



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North, Dealer

6 5			
9	K 10 4 2		
10 5	Q 8 3		
Q 8 7 6	2		
3 2			

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♦	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	Pass	Pass
Rebd.	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the four of spades. East won with the Ace and returned the three-spot. Declarer won with the King, played a heart to dummy's King and led the Ace of clubs. East ruffed and played the Queen of spades. South ruffed in dummy, promptly played two more rounds of trumps, led a club to dummy's King and now suddenly found that he had but one entry back to his own hand, that his clubs were not established, and that, in addition to everything else, he had to lead a diamond from dummy. The result was he went down two.

However, if after trumping the spade in dummy South had immediately played the King of clubs, he would have made his contract. If

East ruffed, Declarer would make the rest; if East failed to ruff, Declarer could then draw trumps and concede a trick to West's Queen of clubs.

* * *

Yesterday, with neither side vulnerable, you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and held:

♦ K Q 2			
♦ Q J 10			
♦ Q 10 9 3			
♦ K 10 4			

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schenken	You	Maier
Pass	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♦	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♦	Pass	(?)	

ANSWER: Your correct bid is to pass. Even though you have good support for spades, you must remember that your partner passed originally, and if there is any play for game, he should surely be able to make a stronger bid than two diamonds on the second round.

Score 100% for pass, 60% for two spades (your partner might bid again and get you too high), 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 446

Merwin Maier is your partner. Neither side is vulnerable and you hold:

♦ A 9 8 7 6			
♦ A 8 5 4			
♦ Q 6 3 2			

The bidding:

You	Burnstone	Maier	Jacoby
Pass	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♦	Pass	1NT	Pass
(7)			

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LAI TSUN'S THIRD SUCCESSIVE RELAY VICTORY

By "NATATOR"

ALTHOUGH the majority of the local Chinese are keen on diving only as a recreational form of exercise, a number of them have concentrated on improving their form in order to challenge the present leaders in the field; some have already succeeded in reaching a standard sufficiently high to command attention.

Stanley Lee and Wong Yan, who were both placed in the Colony championships last year, are the best the Chinese can offer at present, but there are many following in their foot-steps. Unfortunately, however, the existing facilities for training are far from being satisfactory.

At nearly all the beaches springboards have been erected, generally about one and two metres from the surface of the water, but due to tide fluctuations, the heights vary from day to day.

It will be obvious, even to the uninitiated, that a good entry into the water depends to a large extent on the angle of entry, and different heights necessitate a corresponding difference in timing and spring in the take-off. In the ordinary plain dives this will not be so noticeable, but with the more complicated dives involving somersaults and body twists, the handicap is too great.

ONLY A LOW BOARD

The Chinese "Y", which is the only Chinese swimming club to have an indoor pool, has produced some of the best swimmers the Colony has ever seen, but is unable to provide adequate diving facilities, having only a low board, as a high one is out of the question, owing to the low ceiling.

This is really regrettable from the divers' point of view, when it is realised that the average Chinese physique is most suitably built for diving, being small and agile. At the beaches, while classes for swimming, waterpolo and even life-saving are conducted, divers have not had any opportunity for improvement, most of them depending on a "tip" here and there.

It is hoped that with the forthcoming P.I. Interport almost a certainty, and diving competitions to be included, the Chinese clubs will see their way to catering for those with an inclination to a diving career.

Wong Yan has not been seen practising lately, but Stanley Lee is at present doing most of his training at the V.R.C. and has been seen on the boards at North Point during weekends. Lee, represented South China in the Kwang Tung Provincial Meet in 1935 as well as in many local competitions, and quite recently gave an exhibition in the new Queen's Road Army bath. By dint of arduous training he has improved immensely. The difficult one-and-a-half Gaynor which I have seen only a few divers attempt, has been mastered by Lee, and if he keeps up his form he is certain to make the diving team to meet the P.I. Interporters. As it is most likely that in future he will represent the V.R.C., South China will be sorry to lose his services. Others prominent divers are Wong Kwok-kit (C.B.C.), Yeung

Cheung-wa (South China) and So Tim-mo (Chung Shing).

New Waterpolo Team

The Ching Wing Swimming Union, which is a section of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., was seen playing waterpolo for the first time last week, when they were matched against the Chinese Bathing Club in a gala at North Point. Coached by Soong Yiu-tak, the team is mainly composed of young and budding swimmers, and is very promising. Soong, who turned out for Chinese Bathing Club last year, is a waterpolo veteran, having played since the time when the local League was run under the auspices of V.R.C. and with his experience the team should come along nicely.

The defence men, "Darkey" J. Hawk and Yeung Yuk-wah are fairly safe in their marking, whilst forwards Chan Kam-fui, Cheung Che-keung and K. K. Chan are good sprinters, but somewhat lacking in experience.

From their first performance, it was

quite obvious that they had never read the rules of the game, being frequently warned for tackling an opponent before handling the ball and for obstructing free throws; one of the players being actually ordered out of the bath in the later stages of the game for repeating the latter offence. The swimming side is being managed by Mr. Lee Che-hung, and, although little has been heard of him, his swimmers show fine results. Among them are Yeung Yiu-kwan and Fun Wai-cheung, both of whom represented their team in a recent relay and doing quite well.

Friendly Waterpolo

Last Friday the Eastern Athletic Association entertained a team from the International Athletic Club to a friendly game of waterpolo, which resulted in a win for the former by three goals to one. For the victors, Shek Kam-pui at centre-half was easily the best man on his side; his experience and stamina stood him in good stead. Veteran Shoo Hung-yu, in the forward line, also played a good game, and was ably supported by his other forward, Lee Fook-ke.

The I.A.C. was rather disorganised in the first half and allowed Shoo and Chan to score easily, but managed to reply with a goal in the opening stages of the second half of the game. During the last minute of play, Shek found the net for his side again, to make the score three to one. For the International Hussain was most prominent in his tackling, whilst David Leonard's powerful passing to the forwards towards the end was very accurate, although he lost too many chances in the first half by essaying long shots from his half of the pool. Owing to the uncertain weather, "Rios" Remedios did not turn up, and the septicite was completed by the inclusion of Harold Winglee, who scored the only goal for International.

EASTERN: Woo Che-sun, Ng Chor-kin, Lui Sek-kwan, Shek Kam-pui (1), Lee Fook-ke, Chan Kam-fui (1), and Shoo Hung-yu (1).

I.A.C.: "Robby" Rocha, A. J. Hussain, D. Leonard, Jose Marques, W. A. Sprinkle, Sherry Bux, and Harold Winglee (1).

ARMY SPOTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

THE Army Swimming Bath at Victoria Barracks is still without nets for waterpolo and consequently many games are being

Water Polo held up; in fact,

none of the Army competitions have yet been started. Unless a start is made pretty soon the result will be a general congestion and the usual end of the season rush to get League and other competition games played off.

THE Royal Army Service Corps Table Tennis Club opened their season with a friendly match against

Table Tennis Royal Army Pay Corps, whom they defeated easily by

10 games to one. The "Newgate Blues" have been putting in a lot of practice and have the makings of a good team. Their opponents on the other hand have had little or no practice for some time, which explains the overwhelming defeat. The "Pay Blokes" have nothing to be discouraged about as they should easily improve 100 per cent. once they get down to it. In the doubles Martin and Young (R.A.S.C.) were opposed to Luckhurst and Stone (R.A.P.C.), and won in two straight games 21-5 and 21-17. The first game was a walk-over for the Service Corps pair, but in the second the "Pay Blokes" put up a great fight but were not quite good enough to wear down the steady play of their opponents. Against Dvr. Stanley (R.A.S.C.) L/Cpl. Stone won the only game for the Pay Corps. Stanley beat both Sgt. Hemming and Corp. Ingleby. Both the other two Service Corps men, Pte. Gibbs and Pte.

Adams, defeated their opponents, Stone, Hemming and Ingleby, decisively. A return game is being arranged and both teams are seeking games from other army units.

ROYAL ENGINEERS were full of confidence when they took the field against Chung Hwa last Saturday, and it was thought

Baseball that they had a pretty good chance of winning their first League game.

Although they were leading at the end of the third innings by 6-3, they failed to make the grade, but not without a great fight. Certainly it would be something very unusual to find the Sappers not making a great fight for it. It was Chung Hwa's fourth inning that spelt defeat for the Engineers. Aided by three errors, their opponents did not have a great deal of difficulty in collecting nine runs. A great improvement was seen in the Sappers fielding, fast work between Ings, Shaw and Foley surprising Chung Hwa. Ratcliffe, Fox, Welford and Foley, as well as 'Hurler' Denyer, were constantly in the lime-light. McIlwraith was making his debut in a League game for the Engineers. We are waiting to see the Sappers garner their first League points and, if they continue to improve on these lines, it will not be long before we are able to record that accomplishment in this column.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

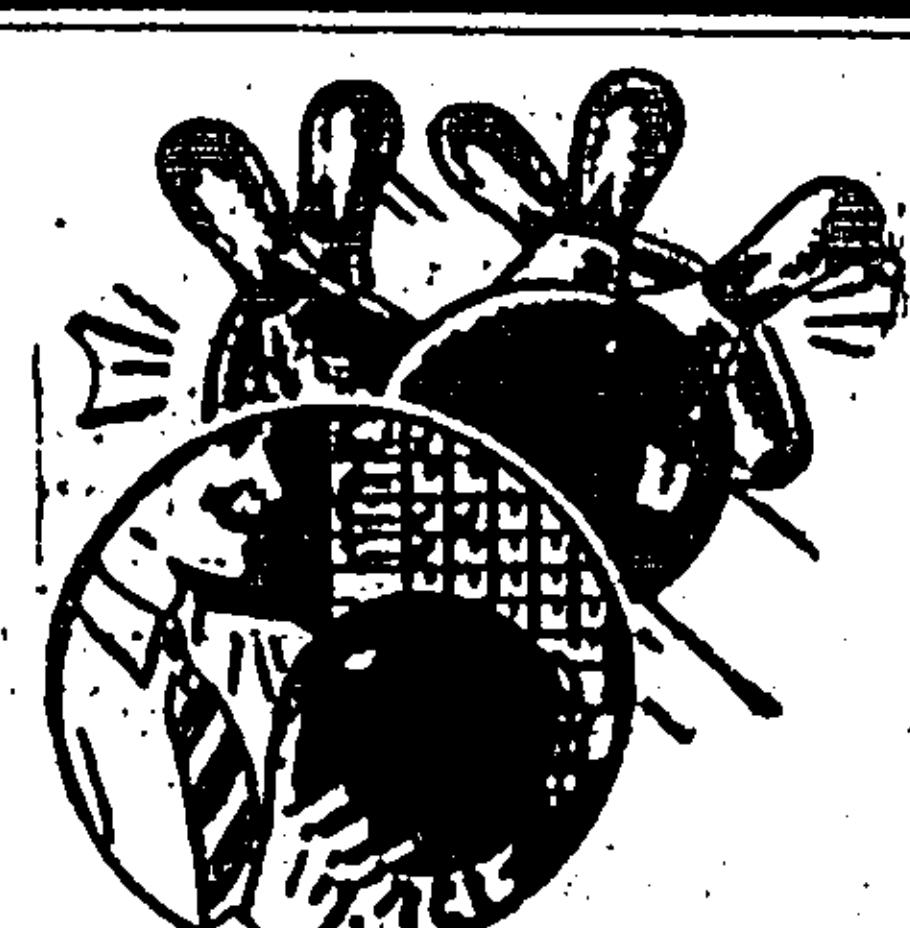
H.K.C.6.

The following have been chosen to represent Hong Kong Cricket Club in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:—

Second Division (v Taikoo R.C., away):—G. S. Archbutt, J. A. Mouat, J. Prentice and B. E. Maughan (skip); R. R. Davies, F. D. Angus, A. McKellar and J. A. R. Duncan (skip); T. A. Pearce, A. K. Mackenzie, R. A. Edwards and A. W. Brown (skip).

Third Division (v P.O.C., away):—A. D. Humphreys, L. E. N. Ryan, R. Nissim and P. S. Cassidy (skip); W. A. Cornell, H. A. Angus, A. T. Lay and R. H. Wild (skip); W. J. Hansen, B. J. Lacon, F. Hosper and G. E. Costello (skip).

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BOXING

POSSIBILITY OF SHOW FOR WAR FUNDS

No Lack Of Talent To Attract Enthusiasts MURRAY BARRACKS THE IDEAL VENUE

By "Adrem"

WITH THE STIMULATION provided by the big drive for war funds, there is now every possibility that Hong Kong boxing will soon be placed on a basis comparable to the days when boxing tournaments at the City Hall were a regular part of the sporting life of the Colony.

There have been all sorts of attempts in recent years to revive boxing among the civilians of Hong Kong and, a show put on at the Po Hing Theatre in Kowloon within the last two years, met with fair success although the venue could hardly be described as ideal.

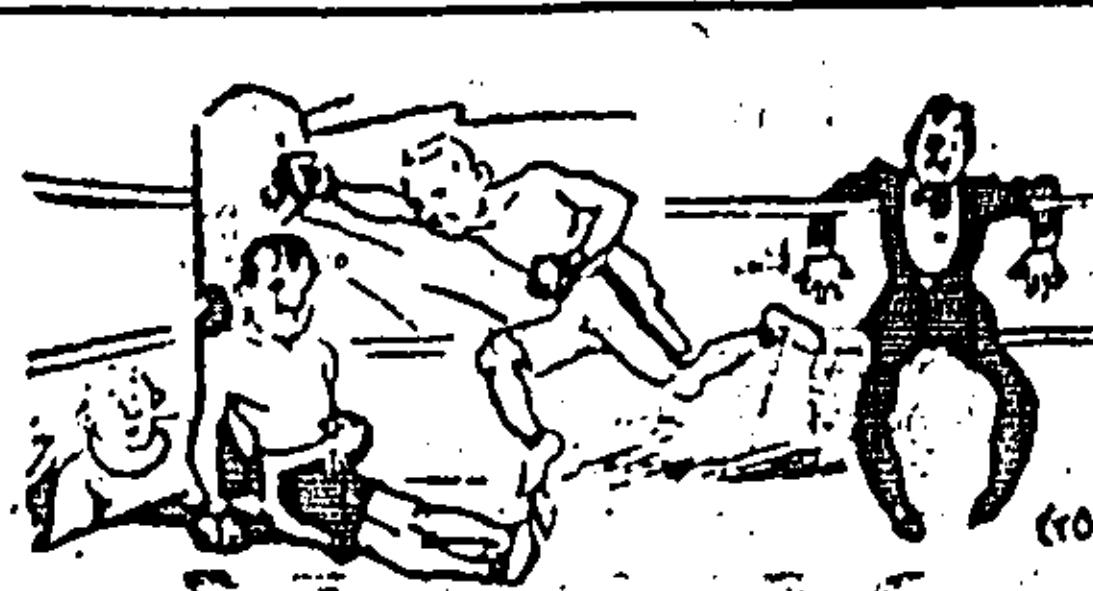
At the moment there are a number of boxers resident here who would welcome any opportunity of getting the gloves on again and, in this connection, a visit to Victoria Recreation Club on practically any afternoon of the week would reveal considerable activity in the training camp of Len Collins, a boxer with a big reputation,

who is training hard in the hopes of fighting in Manila.

Most people have now heard of the offer received by Collins from Jess Cortes, the Mike Jacobs of Philippines boxing promoters, and Collins is very anxious to make the trip provided the necessary permission is forthcoming from his employers.

INTERESTING WORK-OUT

Collins was featured in an interesting bout on Sunday evening when he had a work-out over six rounds with Young Aromin, who, if I mistake not, won the bantam-weight "championship" of the Colony at the Po Hing Theatre.



Although neither man is yet in the pink of condition—serious training has only just started—they were both anxious to try themselves out and the result was a good hard-hitting bout which was greatly appreciated by some 20 or 30 fans, gathered in the V.R.C. gymnasium.

Young Ramsay Bux, a son of "Iron" Bux, a name that will be readily recalled by the older residents of the Colony, was also to have been seen in action, but somehow this fell through.

Officiating as referee and time-keeper—it will be seen that Collins and Aromin were taking their work-out seriously—was "Kid" Marriott, another name with which the word boxing, as applied to Hong Kong, is inevitably associated.

I understand that the "Kid" still rates the noble art of self-defence the finest sport there is and he is still actively connected with it through a

boxing school in which he holds regular classes in his spare time.

Marriott is now investigating the possibility of staging a contest in aid of war funds and, provided a suitable venue can be found, there is more than an even chance that this will come off.

NO LACK OF MATERIAL

There is no lack of material in the Colony—even outside the services—and although some of the better men are professionals I have little doubt that they would be only too willing to give their services gratis for such a good cause.

Marriott, would probably endeavour the top of the bill with Len Collins, providing a suitable opponent could be found. Collins, with his fine reputation, would be the biggest drawing card in Hong Kong and it is fairly certain that his name in itself would be sufficient to attract a huge crowd.

It is also considered that a fight between Ramsay Bux—professionally Iron Bux jr.—and Young Aromin would provide splendid entertainment. "Kid" Marriott has a great opinion of Bux, who, he says, is very fit and a born boxer with a natural gift for fighting.

Getting back to the big question of where the fight could be held, several venues instantly spring to mind. About 12 years ago V.R.C. organised amateur and schools' boxing championships of the Colony. In the first place the tournaments were held in the gymnasium but this arrangement was found to be unsatisfactory from a point of view of spectators' accommodation, and latterly they were held in the drained swimming bath. This worked fairly well as, the level of the ring being low, a good view was had by all attending in whatever seats they occupied.

It must be remembered, however, that these old tournaments were held in the winter. At present, with the bath fully occupied practically every day, I cannot see the V.R.C. authorities allowing it to be closed for the necessary length of time. In any case, although the club is nice and central, I don't think it is large enough to hold the crowd which I feel sure would attend a boxing show of the type I have outlined.

IDEAL VENUE

While not ignoring the possibility of utilising one of the many football grounds, where stands are still in position and where a boxing arena could be set out without a great deal of trouble and expense, I feel that the ideal place to hold a show would be Murray Barracks, where the Army championships are held. There is every facility there for boxing and so, provided the necessary permission is forthcoming—and I see no reason why the Army should oppose the scheme—the promoters could go ahead immediately and work out their programme.

I feel confident that a boxing contest would be a great success, as apart from something by way of a change from cinemas for the average person, I know for a fact that there are many boxing enthusiasts here who bemoan the absence of their favourite sport.

Lawn Bowls Teams

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I.R.C.
The following have been chosen to represent Indian Recreation Club in Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:

First Division (v. K.C.C., away):—D. M. Khan, K. M. Rumjahn, A. M. Rumjahn and M. A. Abbas (skip); J. Hoosen, A. K. Sufflad, A. R. Minu and A. K. Minu (skip); A. H. Rumjahn, S. Yusuf, M. Y. Adal and A. R. Dallah (skip).

Third Division (v. K.B.G.C., home):—A. S. Sufflad, J. M. A. Ramjahn, A. H. Madar and A. M. Wahab (skip); M. Hassan, A. R. Kitchell, A. G. Sufflad and A. Bakar (skip); M. B. Hassan, S. A. R. Bux, U. A. Rumjahn and S. M. Rumjahn (skip).

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DEATH OF FR. LEBBE

Chungking, To-day. Chungking is mourning the death of Father Vincent Lebbe, naturalised Chinese citizen of Belgian birth, who passed away at Kolo Shan in the Chungking suburbs on Monday night.

Father Lebbe, who had been in China for many years, was the founder of the "Yih Shih Pao," a well-known Chinese daily formerly in Tientsin, and now in Chungking.

Despite his advanced years, he had been active in wartime services. He organised and became leader of the North China War Service Corps which has rendered valuable assistance to the wounded and refugees in the war affected areas in the North.—Central News.

WOUNDED WOMAN IN HOSPITAL

A 24-year-old woman, Chan Sum, was yesterday admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from bullet wounds in the stomach and right leg, sustained during the Japanese occupation of Pak Shek Chun Village, Po On.

COOLIE INJURED

Chan Sing, 52, ricksha coolie, was yesterday treated at the Kowloon Hospital for injuries to his head. He was knocked down by an army-lorry, in Des Vouex Road Central, near Gloucester Building, at about 8.30 a.m. yesterday.

BURGLAR CAUGHT

Seen breaking the window frame of No. 758, Nathan Road, ground floor, early yesterday morning, Leung Kau, 23, and Leung Tak, 25, were arrested and charged before Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon this morning.

Leung Kau, further charged with possession of an instrument for an unlawful purpose, was fined \$25, or two months' hard labour, while Leung Tak was remanded for 24 hours for the police to check his record.

Det-Sgt. W. G. Morrison prosecuted.

WATERLOO RD. THEFT

Admitting the theft of a rain coat and a quantity of haberdashery from No. 108, Waterloo Road, residence of Mrs. K. Lent, Wong Ping, 28, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour and ordered to be expelled from the Colony by Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon this morning.

WEATHER REPORT

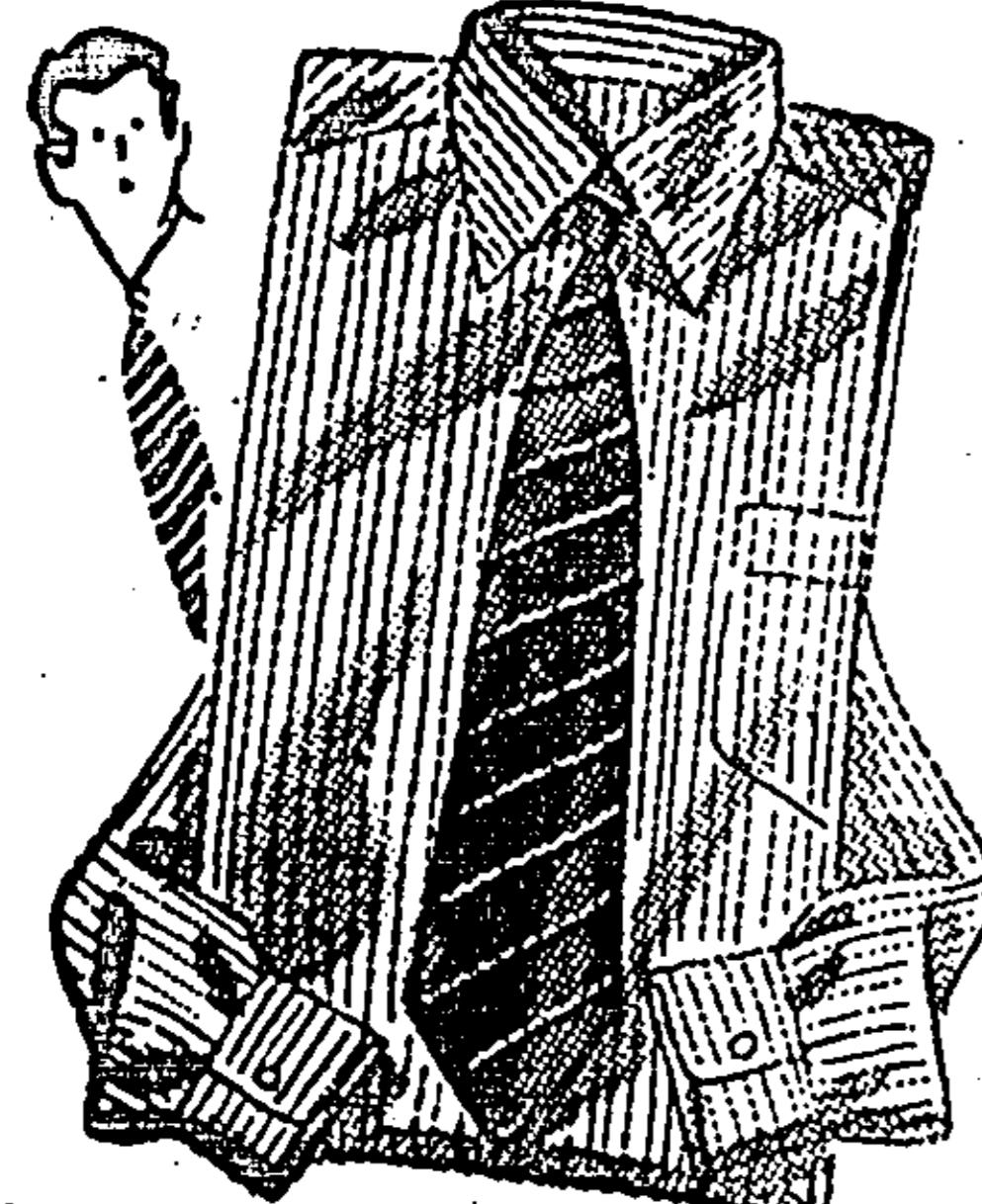
The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over the Pacific to the east of Japan and is relatively low over China generally.

The depression remains over Indo-China; another may be developing to the east of the Visayas.

Nine months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. R. Edwards to-day on Li Wing, 21, for stealing a fountain pen from a police interpreter, in Connaught Road Central yesterday.

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Washington, To-day.

The Navy Department reveals that the cruiser Omaha and the destroyers Barry and Goff sailed recently for Portugal to relieve the existing U.S. squadron of the same strength.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

German planes again crossed the British coast at several points before dawn to-day. Fighters were active in north-east England, south-east Scotland and elsewhere and spectators saw thrilling dogfights in which many raiders were chased out to sea. Incendiary bombs were dropped. An air raid warden said he saw a raider plunge to earth in flames after being chased by a British fighter.

In Edinburgh, the Scottish Regional Commissioner announced that during the raid on south-east Scotland early this morning bombs were dropped in several districts. Fighters went up and anti-aircraft guns were in action. Three enemy aircraft were brought down. It is understood two or three others were badly damaged and were unlikely to reach home.—Reuter.

New York, To-day.

The British purchasing commission has disclosed that all existing contracts for war materials by the French Government were assigned to the British Government on June 17, when it was announced France was seeking an armistice.—Reuter.

Rome, To-day.

Egypt's diplomatic and consular representatives left here yesterday as well as a number of Egyptian residents, including journalists.—Reuter.

Washington, To-day.

Mr. Henry Ford has refused to manufacture aeroplane engines for Britain, according to an official announcement by the National Defence Commission, which is seeking to place the order elsewhere. The plane engines were to be manufactured for Rolls-Royce.—Reuter.

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